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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

2001 MIAMI BASKETBALL SCHEDULE/RESULTS (11-5, 5-0 MAC)

NOVEMBER

10 OGBM Legends L, 82-103
16 at Portland L, 61-74
18 at Oregon L, 65-83
20 at Wright State W, 98-73
28 at Valparaiso W, 77-74 (OT)

DECEMBER

2 Butler W, 86-68
5 Kentucky W, 73-64
8 at Clemson L, 55-72
15 Detroit W, 68-59
18 Western Kentucky L, 68-73
21 at St. Francis (Pa.) W, 93-80
28 at Louisville L, 71-92

JANUARY

3 Buffalo W, 66-60
5 Western Michigan W, 71-58
9 at Akron W, 103-67
12 at Ohio W, 89-73
15 Kent State W, 72-67
19 Northern Illinois L, 61-74
23 at Eastern Michigan 7 p.m.
26 at Kent State 2 p.m.
30 Ball State 7 p.m.

FEBRUARY

2 at Marshall 1 p.m.
5 at Toledo 7 p.m.
9 Bowling Green 2 p.m.
16 at Central Michigan 2 p.m.
19 Marshall 7 p.m.
23 Ohio 2 p.m.
26 at Buffalo 7 p.m.

MARCH

2 MAC Tournament—First Round TBA
6 MAC Tournament—Quarterfinal TBA
8 MAC Tournament—Semifinal TBA
9 MAC Tournament—Championship TBA

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2001-02 - WEEK 11

MIAMI BASKETBALL (11-6, 5-1 MAC)

at Eastern Michigan (9-7, 2-3 MAC)
7 p.m. • Jan. 23, 2002 • Ypsilanti, Mich.

2001-02 Miami Women's Basketball Roster

Probable Starters

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown	PPG	RPG	APG	MIN
5	Heather Cusick	G	5-8	Jr.	Kokomo, Ind.	18.3	3.8	5.8	37.5
21	Beth Roederer	G	5-10	Jr.	Indianapolis, Ind.	8.4	1.5	2.4	28.3
30	Jana Butler	C	6-2	Jr.	Findlay, Ohio	6.9	4.2	0.8	22.6
35	Colleen Day	F	6-0	So.	Independence, Ohio	13.1	7.6	1.9	29.7
42	Kim Lancaster	F	6-0	F	Cincinnati, Ohio	11.2	6.5	1.1	29.1

Top Reserves

3/11	Hillary Beck	G	5-5	Fr.	Kokomo, Ind.	2.0	0.5	0.8	6.5
13	Andrea Pruettt	C	6-1	Jr.	Canton, Mich.	1.7	0.7	0.0	2.7
15	Melanie Kozlowski	G	6-0	So.	Parma, Ohio	8.2	4.8	1.5	26.5
22/10	Katie Schwegmann	G	5-10	Fr.	Melbourne, Ky.	2.6	0.9	0.8	11.2
23	Karla Lockhart	G	5-11	Sr.	West Chester, Ohio	0.0	0.2	0.1	2.3
24	Kim Smith	F	5-11	Fr.	Gary, Ind.	6.7	4.6	0.9	16.7

MIAMI FACES EASTERN MICHIGAN IN FIRST REGULAR-SEASON GAME SINCE '99:

After suffering its first Mid-American Conference defeat last Saturday, Miami University's women's basketball team (11-6, 5-1 MAC) continues a tough stretch of league play when it travels to Eastern Michigan (9-7, 2-3 MAC) Wednesday.

Despite an 0-3 start in MAC play, Eastern Michigan has found its groove over the past two games, defeating Akron (89-40) and Buffalo (78-66) last week. The Eagles, who started the season 7-1, ended a six-game losing streak last Wednesday versus Akron and pulled back into the thick of the MAC race with a defeat of Buffalo Saturday. The Eagles have not finished below .500 in the MAC in three years.

Coached by fourth-year mentor **Suzy Merchant**, the Eagles are led this season by junior forward **Abby Wiseman**, who is averaging 12.9 points per game, and senior guard **Stephanie Smiley**, who is pouring in 12.4 ppg while hitting a league-best 47 percent of her shots from beyond the 3-point arc. Seven different players have led the balanced Eagle attack in scoring this season.

Miami and Eastern Michigan are meeting during the regular-season for the first time since the 1998-99 campaign—the first season for both head coaches.

A LOOK AT THE SERIES: Though Miami maintains a 29-8 series edge versus Eastern Michigan, the Eagles have dominated the teams' last two meetings. After handing the Eagles 14 consecutive defeats from 1992-98, the Red and White was ambushed in Ypsilanti, 81-45, in 1999. The following season, the RedHawks clashed with the Eagles in the MAC Quarterfinals and suffered an even more devastating 88-51 defeat. Miami holds a 15-4 all-time record when facing the Eagles in Ypsilanti.

THE LAST MEETING: Eastern Michigan tied a tournament record with 11 3-point field goals and rolled to an 88-51 victory over Miami in the 2000 Mid-American Conference Quarterfinals on March 2, 2000. EMU drained 11-of-29 3-point field goals and held Miami to just 25 percent shooting from the field. The Eagles led 34-17 at halftime and erupted for 54 second-half points en route to handing Miami the worst postseason defeat in program history. Eastern Michigan was led by Jessica Henry's 23 points and Stephanie Smiley's double-double of 16 points and 10 rebounds. The RedHawks were led by freshmen **Kelli Stamper** and **Jana Butler**, who each scored eight points. Miami's starting lineup netted only 17 points on the day.

TALE OF THE TAPE

MIAMI (11-6, 5-1 MAC)	EASTERN MICHIGAN (9-7, 2-3 MAC)
75.1	67.2
71.2	64.8
44.8	44.0
45.2	41.7
37.4	37.2
34.1	29.5
74.8	70.5
71.3	67.9
37.3	35.9
34.2	35.2
15.2	15.1
16.1	14.3
20.5	17.4
21.0	16.5
12.0	8.2
11.5	8.4

ROADHAWKS: Miami, which is playing 15 of its 27 overall games and seven of its 11 non-conference games on the road this season, travels to a pair of tough venues this week when it plays at Eastern Michigan and Kent State. The RedHawks have forged a 5-4 record outside of Millett Hall this season, which includes losses at Portland, Oregon, Clemson and Louisville. Miami is in search of its first winning road record since it went 8-6 during the 1992-93 season. Over the past eight seasons, Miami has reached .500 on the road just twice while posting a 47-62 (.431) record. Last season, Miami went 6-7 when playing in hostile surroundings. In MAC action, Miami has posted a 12-14 road record during head coach Maria Fantanarosa's tenure.

A TALE OF TWO DIVISIONS: Now in her fourth season in the Mid-American Conference, Miami head coach Maria Fantanarosa is steadily improving upon a 31-23 (.574) overall league record. Miami has risen to the occasion when it's come to divisional play over the past four seasons, posting an impressive 24-9 (.727) record. Overall, Miami has turned away 12 consecutive MAC East foes in the regular season, while winning 13 of its last 14 divisional home games.

Despite their success versus the East, Fantanarosa's RedHawks have not fared as well when heading West. Miami has gone just 7-14 (.333) versus the MAC West over the past four seasons, including a 3-9 regular-season mark, and has lost eight consecutive road games to MAC West foes. Fantanarosa is still in search of her first coaching wins versus MAC West rivals Eastern Michigan and Toledo after ending a similar drought on Jan. 5 versus Western Michigan.

LOOKING BACK: Miami fell from the ranks of the MAC unbeaten Saturday when Northern Illinois pushed past the RedHawks, 74-61, in Millett Hall. Previously, the Red and White had earned five straight wins to open the MAC season. Complete recaps on these and all 2001-02 Miami games can be found on pages 12-17.

HEAD COACH MARIA FANTANAROSA: Fresh off her 30th Mid-American Conference win, **Maria Fantanarosa** is in her fourth season at the helm of the Miami women's basketball program.

Since taking over a team that had no freshman class in 1998, she has guided the team to consecutive MAC Tournament appearances and back-to-back MAC East Division runner-up finishes. Fantanarosa also has brought in and mentored back-to-back selections to the MAC all-freshmen team for only the second time in program history while helping four players to all-MAC accolades. A 1990 graduate of Miami, Fantanarosa was a two-time all-MAC honoree for the Red and White. Following her graduation, she went on to serve as an assistant women's basketball coach for Xavier (1990-94) and South Carolina (1994-97) before serving a one-year stint as head coach at Western Carolina (1997-98).

One of the most prolific scorers in high school girls basketball history, Fantanarosa's 3,823 career points while at Mt. Carmel Area High School in Kulpmont, Pa., rank among the all-time Top 10 nationally.

'HAWKS ON THE RADIO: For the first time in program history, fans of Miami women's basketball can follow the Red and White live on the World Wide Web. In a deal with *Yahoo! Sports*, all 27 regular-season games along with any postseason action will be carried live over the internet. WMOH, Miami's flagship station, will air 16 of the games throughout the year. Calling the games are veteran Miami play-by-play commentators Bob Rotruck and Bill Douglas. The live internet broadcast, as well as real-time stats for all Miami home games, can be accessed by going to the schedule page on Miami's official website—www.MURedHawks.com.

FANTANAROSA YEAR-BY-YEAR

Year	Overall	MAC	MAC Pct.
97-98	7-20	—	—
98-99	11-15	7-9	.438
99-00	16-12	9-7	.563
00-01	18-11	10-6	.625
01-02	11-6	5-1	.833
<i>Total</i>	<i>63-64</i>	<i>31-23</i>	<i>.574</i>

FANTANAROSA BY THE MONTH

Year	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
97-98	1-2	1-4	2-9	3-5	0-0
98-99	3-3	3-3	2-6	3-3	0-0
99-00	1-2	5-2	5-3	5-4	0-1
00-01	2-3	4-1	4-4	6-2	2-1
01-02	2-2	4-3	5-1	0-0	0-0
<i>Total</i>	<i>9-12</i>	<i>17-13</i>	<i>18-23</i>	<i>17-14</i>	<i>2-2</i>

MIAMI IN THE DECADE

Year	Overall	MAC	MAC Finish
92-93	19-9	13-5	Second
93-94	16-11	11-7	Fifth
94-95	19-10	13-5	Third
95-96	19-9	13-5	Third
96-97	19-10	12-6	Third
97-98	12-15	9-9	Fourth (East)
98-99	11-15	7-9	Fifth (East)
99-00	16-12	9-7	Second (East)
00-01	18-11	10-6	Second (East)
01-02	11-6	5-1	—
<i>Total</i>	<i>160-108</i>	<i>102-60</i>	<i>.630</i>

REDHAWKS VERSUS OPPONENTS

Akron	19-2
Ball State	34-11
Bowling Green	20-28
Buffalo	2-2
Butler	6-1
Central Michigan	23-19
Clemson	0-1
Detroit	3-2
Eastern Michigan	29-8
Kent State	31-25
Kentucky	2-10
Louisville	4-5
Marshall	9-2
Northern Illinois	10-7
Ohio	36-16
Oregon	0-1
Portland	0-1
St. Francis (Pa.)	2-0
Toledo	21-23
Valparaiso	3-0
Western Kentucky	0-3
Western Michigan	24-18
Wright State	14-2

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When referring to Miami, please use Miami University, Miami University (Ohio) or Miami (Ohio) University as a first reference to our institution. Please do not use Miami of Ohio, University of Miami of Ohio, etc. Also, in 1997 the University began using a new nickname, the RedHawks. It is one word with a capital "H". Thank you.

2001-02 MAC STANDINGS

As of Jan. 21, 2002

East Division			MAC			Overall			
School	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Miami	5	1	.833	11	6	.647			
Kent State	4	2	.667	8	9	.471			
Ohio	3	2	.600	8	8	.500			
Buffalo	2	4	.333	7	10	.412			
Bowling Green	2	4	.333	5	12	.294			
Marshall	1	5	.167	5	11	.313			
Akron	0	6	.000	1	16	.059			

West Division			MAC			Overall			
School	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
W. Michigan	5	1	.833	8	10	.444			
Ball State	4	1	.800	12	4	.750			
Toledo	4	1	.800	9	7	.563			
N. Illinois	4	2	.667	9	8	.529			
E. Michigan	2	3	.400	9	7	.563			
C. Michigan	1	5	.167	9	8	.529			

2001-02 PRESEASON POLL

East Division

1. Kent State (41) 307
2. **Miami (4)** **269**
3. Bowling Green 184
4. Buffalo 181
5. Ohio 169
6. Marshall 97
7. Akron 68

West Division

1. Toledo (28) 252
2. Ball State (16) 232
3. Eastern Michigan 144
4. Northern Illinois 138
5. Western Michigan 129
6. Central Michigan 50

Tournament Winner

Toledo (21), Kent State (10), Miami (7)

PRESEASON ALL-MAC

- Francine Miller, BGSU G
- Stephanie Smiley, EMU G
- Kristen Koetsier, WMU C
- Kim Lancaster, MIAMI** **F**
- Tamara Bowlie, BSU F

2000-01 MAC STANDINGS

East Division			MAC			Overall			
School	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Kent State	14	2	.875	21	8	.724			
Buffalo	10	6	.625	19	9	.679			
Miami	10	6	.625	18	11	.621			
Bowling Green	6	10	.375	11	17	.393			
Ohio	5	11	.313	9	19	.321			
Marshall	4	12	.250	10	18	.357			
Akron	3	13	.188	6	22	.214			

West Division			MAC			Overall			
School	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Toledo	15	1	.938	22	5	.815			
Ball State	11	5	.688	19	8	.704			
N. Illinois	10	6	.625	15	15	.500			
E. Michigan	9	7	.563	16	12	.571			
W. Michigan	6	10	.375	9	19	.321			
C. Michigan	1	15	.063	4	24	.143			

OF BIRDS AND TREYS: A big part of Wednesday's battle between the RedHawks and Eagles could come down to 3-point shooting. Miami enters the game shooting a MAC-best 42 percent from beyond the arc in league play, while Eastern Michigan is hitting a MAC-high nine 3-pointers per game. Also pitted against each other are two of the league's top 3-point shooters. Miami's **Heather Cusick** (Kokomo, Ind./Kokomo) has been hitting a league-best 2.9 3-pointers per game, while EMU's **Stephanie Smiley** is shooting a league-best 47 percent from beyond the arc. The Eagles do enjoy the advantage defensively, allowing their opponents to shoot just .337 from long-range. Miami, which is allowing MAC opponents to shoot over 40 percent from beyond the arc, ranks 11th in the league in defending the trey.

BRINGING BACK THE THREE: After hitting a meager 17 of its first 68 (.250) 3-point attempts through the first four games of the season, the long ball has come back into style for Miami. Over the past 12 games, the Red and White has drained 78-of-186 (.419) 3-point bombs while pulling into second in the league in 3-point shooting percentage (.374). Paving the way for the RedHawks, who have hit at least five treys in 10 of their last 13 games, has been **Heather Cusick** (Kokomo, Ind./Kokomo), who has hit 39-of-98 (.398) 3-pointers over the past 13 games and leads the MAC with 2.9 3-point field goals per contest.

STRING OF TREYS: As testament to what has become a fine 3-point shooting tradition, the RedHawks are working to maintain a string of games with at least one 3-point field goal that dates back to March of 1993. Since that game, a MAC Semifinal loss to Kent State, Miami has drained a 3-point bucket in 240 consecutive games—the longest such streak in the MAC. Ironically, assistant coach **Lisa Hayden** was on the floor the last time Miami failed to drain a 3-point bucket and went 0-for-3 from beyond the arc. Louisville holds the current NCAA record, having buried a trey in 308 straight games. Miami's streak is the longest in the MAC. Individually, **Heather Cusick** (Kokomo, Ind./Kokomo) has hit a trey in 21 straight games.

ANATOMY OF A SHOOTOUT: Miami has certainly established its offense over its first six Mid-American Conference games, but the RedHawks have not fared so well on the defensive end of the floor. According to the latest MAC rankings, Miami leads the MAC in both scoring offense (77.0) and field goals percentage (.479). The RedHawks rank seventh in scoring defense (66.5), however, and last in field goal percentage defense (.491). No MAC team has shot worse than 41 percent against Miami, and the last three opponents have hit a combined 53 percent from the field.

MAKING A STATEMENT: A two-time honorable mention all-MAC honoree over the past two seasons, Miami's **Heather Cusick** (Kokomo, Ind./Kokomo) has her sights set on bigger things this season. Six games into the MAC season, Cusick has emerged as a frontrunner for the league's player of the year award. As of Jan. 19, Cusick ranked among the MAC's leaders in eight of the 12 categories in which the league office keeps individual statistics. Cusick leads the league in points (18.3), 3-point field goals (2.88) and steals (2.76) per game, while ranking second in assists (5.76 apg). The junior also is ranked among the MAC's elite in field goal percentage, free throw percentage and assist/turnover ratio. In MAC play, Cusick is averaging a league-best 21.2 points per game.

20-POINT DIVA: After tacking on her seventh and eighth 20-point games of the season last week versus Kent State and Northern Illinois, **Heather Cusick** (Kokomo, Ind./Kokomo) has tied all-time leading scorer, Monica Niemann (1991-95), for first-place at Miami with 21 career 20-point games. Cusick cleared the 20-point barrier six times as a freshman and seven times as a sophomore. One more 20-point game this season also will tie Cusick for the single-season record, which is shared by Niemann and Mary Ann Meyers (1978-82).

TOUGH AS THEY COME: When opposing coaches are scouting Miami, they do not have to wonder whether or not point guard **Heather Cusick** (Kokomo, Ind./Kokomo) will be on the floor. Cusick has played in all 74 games of her collegiate career thus far and has made a remarkable 71 consecutive starts. Opposing teams can also expect Cusick to show up on the stat sheet, where she has scored in double figures in 16 straight games and 20 of the last 21.

CHART CLIMBING: Although just a junior, Miami's **Heather Cusick** (Kokomo, Ind./Kokomo) is making her presence felt in Miami's career record book. Cusick cracked the Top 10 in Miami's career scoring list with her 23 point outing versus Northern Illinois last Saturday. The junior, who has tallied 1,062 in her career, is now just 24 points from matching head coach Maria Fantanarosa for ninth place.

Already ranked among Miami's career Top 10 for assists (3rd-386), free throw percentage (4th-.799) and 3-point field goals (3rd-155). She could finish her career ranked among Miami's career Top 10 in 10 major statistical categories.

ESPN/USA Today National Rankings (Jan. 14)

1. Connecticut (40)	18-0
2. Oklahoma	14-1
3. Tennessee	14-1
4. Stanford	16-1
5. Vanderbilt	16-3
6. Duke	14-3
7. Wisconsin	15-1
8. South Carolina	16-1
9. Iowa State	13-3
10. Louisiana Tech	11-3
11. Baylor	13-2
12. Texas	12-2
13. Purdue	13-3
14. Georgia	12-3
15. Kansas State	16-1
16. Texas Tech	9-5
17. North Carolina	14-3
18. Florida	12-5
19. Colorado	11-6
20. Virginia Tech	13-2
21. Colorado State	13-3
22. Auburn	13-3
23. Michigan	11-6
23. Tulane	14-4
25. LSU	8-6

Others Receiving Votes: Cincinnati 55, Boston College 49, UNLV 43, St. Josephs 38, Drake 36, TCU 34, Hawai'i 32, Penn State 31, Arizona State 30, Mississippi State 25, Iowa 24, North Carolina State 23, Old Dominion 19, Florida Intl 12, Illinois 7, Minnesota 6, Santa Clara 6, Creighton 5, USC 5, **Clemson 4**, Notre Dame 4, Marquette 3, Pepperdine 2, Arizona 1, Belmont 1, **Louisville 1**, New Mexico 1.

AP National Rankings (Jan. 14)

1. Connecticut (43)	18-0
2. Tennessee	14-1
3. Oklahoma	14-1
4. Stanford	16-1
5. Wisconsin	15-1
6. Duke	14-3
7. Vanderbilt	16-3
8. South Carolina	16-1
9. Kansas State	16-1
10. Louisiana Tech	11-3
11. Purdue	13-3
12. Texas	12-2
13. Baylor	13-2
14. Iowa State	13-3
15. Texas Tech	9-5
16. Georgia	12-3
17. North Carolina	14-3
18. Florida	12-5
19. Auburn	13-3
20. Colorado State	13-3
21. Virginia Tech	13-2
22. Colorado	11-6
23. Arizona State	14-4
24. Old Dominion	9-5
25. Boston College	12-3

Others Receiving Votes: LSU 63, UNLV 52, Tulane 41, Iowa 30, Mississippi State 26, Drake 23, North Carolina State 20, St. Josephs 20, Michigan 20, Illinois 20, Michigan State 17, Cincinnati 16, Minnesota 15, TCU 9, DePaul 7, Missouri 6, Penn State 6, New Mexico 5, Virginia 5, Notre Dame 4, Florida Intl 1.

A BRAND NEW DAY: Just over halfway through the 2001-02 season, sophomore forward **Colleen Day** (Independence, Ohio/Holy Name) is in the midst of a break-out season. Through 17 games, Day has scored in double digits 12 times, rebounded in double digits four times and assembled four double-doubles. The sophomore also has set career highs in virtually every statistical category, including her career-high 28-point outing versus Ohio on Jan 12. The sophomore, who ranks 14th in the MAC in scoring at 13.1 points per game, also has been remarkably efficient on the season, hitting 57 percent from the floor. No one ranked in the top 15 in the MAC in scoring has taken fewer shots from the field (143). Day also has been uncanny from 3-point range, draining 17-of-22 (.773) treys this season.

SENSATIONAL OR SLUMPING?: Following a fabulous freshman season in which she earned honorable mention all-MAC, MAC all-freshman and MAC all-tournament recognition, Miami's **Kim Lancaster** (Cincinnati, Ohio/Princeton) has been hovering between sensational and the dreaded sophomore slump this season. Through nine games in which Lancaster has cleared the double-figure plateau, she is averaging 15.7 points and 7.9 rebounds while shooting 55 percent from the field. In eight games where Lancaster has been held to less than 10 points, she is averaging just 5.9 points and 5.0 rebounds while shooting a mere 36 percent from the floor.

A NOSE FOR THE BASKET: Sophomore guard **Melanie Kozlowski** (Parma, Ohio/Holy Name), who has worn a protective mask since suffering a broken nose versus Kentucky (Dec. 5), has been providing Miami with a steady long-range threat over the past eight contests. Kozlowski, who drained a season-best three treys each versus Western Michigan, Akron and Northern Illinois, has hit 14 3-pointers over the past eight games. The sophomore moved into 10th place on Miami's career list with her three treys versus Akron, while also amassing career-highs for points (18) and rebounds (10) versus the Zips.

SHE SHOOTS, SHE SCORES: Miami freshman **Kim Smith** (Gary, Ind./West Side) has been showing promising signs of what may lie ahead in her collegiate career. On Dec. 15, Smith shredded Detroit for 18 points and 10 rebounds, notching her first career double-double. On the day, the forward scorched the nets for eight buckets in 12 attempts. Her solid play continued on Dec. 18, when she drained 4-of-7 shots on the way to 11 points versus Western Kentucky, and on Dec. 21, when she poured in 13 points versus St. Francis for her third straight double-digit scoring effort. After a recent slump, Smith returned to life versus Ohio (Jan. 12) with 12 points in just 18 minutes. The freshman has hit a solid 43-of-73 (.589) shots from the field and is averaging two steals a game in MAC play.

PETTY THEFT: Averaging 12.1 steals a contest through 16 contests, Miami finds itself once again leading the MAC in steals per game. Last season, Miami ranked first in the MAC with 12.0 steals an outing. Leading the RedHawks are **Heather Cusick** (Kokomo, Ind./Kokomo), who leads the league with 2.7 steals a contest, and **Colleen Day** (Independence, Ohio/Holy Name), who rates second in the MAC at 2.5 steals a game. Cusick, who has recorded at least one steal in 55 straight games, needs two steals to crack Miami's career Top 10.

SEEING DOUBLE-DOUBLE: After totaling five double-doubles through the entire 2000-01 season, Miami is making up for lost time during its 2001-02 campaign. Led by **Colleen Day** (Independence, Ohio/Holy Name), who has four double-doubles this season, the RedHawks have amassed nine double-doubles on the year. **Kim Lancaster** (Cincinnati, Ohio/Princeton) ranks second with three double-doubles this season, while **Kim Smith** (Gary, Ind./West Side) and **Melanie Kozlowski** (Parma, Ohio/Holy Name) have notched Miami's remaining double-doubles. Of Miami's current players, Lancaster leads the way with six career double-doubles, while Day has four and **Heather Cusick** (Kokomo, Ind./Kokomo) has three.

CRASHING THE BOARDS: After ranking 10th in the MAC in rebounding during the 2000-01 campaign, Miami has found a new level in 2001-02. Through the first 17 games this season, Miami has out-rebounded or matched its opponent 11 times and cleared an average of 37.3 caroms per game. Paving the way for the RedHawks, who rank third in the league in rebounding margin (+3.1), is sophomore **Colleen Day** (Independence, Ohio/Holy Name), who is averaging 7.6 boards per contest to rank eighth in the MAC. Day leads the league in offensive rebounding at 3.9 offensive boards per game. In MAC-only stats, Miami ranks first in the league in rebounding margin (+5.7) but has no player ranked among the Top 15 in the MAC in rebounds.

SCORING THREAT: Following an impressive week, in which Miami put up 192 points in two games versus Akron and Ohio, the Red and White finds itself ranked third in the MAC in scoring offense with a 75.1 points per game average. Versus Akron,

Miami totaled 103 points, which was its highest single-game total in 20 years. The RedHawks also tied a program record with 56 points in a half. Despite a slow start versus Ohio, the Red and White notched 49 second-half points to finish with 89. Miami has scored more than 70 points 10 times this season and posted a 9-1 record when doing so. On the other hand, Miami is 2-5 when scoring 70 or less. Defensively, the RedHawks are a flawless 7-0 when restricting the opposition to 70 or fewer points.

POWER RATED: As of the Jan. 20 RPI rankings, found on www.collegerpi.com, Miami enters the week as the second highest-ranked team in the Mid-American Conference. Ranked No. 123 out of 321 NCAA Division I programs, Miami is one place below Toledo. Miami has a 2-4 mark versus teams ranked above it in the poll, including two wins versus the Top 100, and a 9-2 mark versus those ranked lower. All six of Miami's losses have come against the Top 140. In the most recent Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) RPI rankings, Miami is rated 110th.

REVERSING A TREND: One of the keys to Miami's success in MAC play has been its ability to protect the ball. Entering MAC play, Miami ranked 11th in the MAC in turnovers while averaging 22.0 miscues per game. The Red and White, which led the league in turnover margin a year ago, was further struggling with a turnover margin of -2.1, which ranked 10th in the league.

It's been a different story since the start of MAC play, as the RedHawks have maintained a turnover margin of +5.2 in league action. Miami is forcing a whopping 23.0 turnovers a game versus MAC foes, while committing 17.8 mistakes of their own. Overall, Miami now ranks fifth in the MAC in turnover margin (+0.47).

BODIES WORKING OVERTIME: Overtime has been paying better than time and a half for Miami over the past three seasons. The RedHawks' thrilling Nov. 28 defeat of Valparaiso extended the RedHawks' string of overtime victories to four consecutive. No current Miami player has lost a collegiate overtime game, and head coach Maria Fantanarosa has not lost an overtime contest since a 1998 loss at Buffalo.

CUSICK AND DAY REAP MAC HONORS: Heather Cusick (Kokomo, Ind./Kokomo) and Colleen Day (Independence, Ohio/Holy Name) have wasted little time in grabbing the attention of their peers this season. Cusick was honored as the MAC East Division Player of the Week on Dec. 3 after averaging 22.5 points per game in wins over Valparaiso and Butler. Versus Valparaiso, Cusick drained a game-tying 3-point field goal as time expired and later hit a clinching jump shot in overtime. Cusick earned the honor again after leading Miami to a 2-0 MAC start on Jan. 7.

Day was honored as the MAC's Female Scholar-Athlete of the Week on Dec. 10 after averaging 16.0 points and 8.5 rebounds per game as Miami defeated Kentucky and tumbled at Clemson. She owns a 3.89 GPA in English and secondary education. Day was named the MAC's East Division Player of the week after recording a double-double versus Detroit on December 15. On Jan. 14, Day was honored again when she earned East Division Player of the Week honors for the second time.

During head coach Maria Fantanarosa's tenure, Miami has claimed MAC Player or Scholar-Athlete of the week honors a total of 16 times.

LANCASTER NAMED PRESEASON ALL-MAC: One year removed from a remarkable freshman campaign in which she averaged 14.9 points per game and earned honorable mention all-MAC, MAC all-Freshman and MAC all-Tournament honors, sophomore forward Kim Lancaster (Cincinnati, Ohio/Princeton) was honored this past October as one of five players named to the preseason all-MAC team. Lancaster burst onto the collegiate scene a year ago, setting a RedHawk freshman record with 432 points. The forward set a Miami single-game record with 40 points versus Ball State in the MAC Quarterfinals.

POWER OF YOUTH: With no scholarship seniors on a team that returns all five of its starters from last season, Miami is undoubtedly one of the youngest veteran teams in the nation. Last season, head coach Maria Fantanarosa gave 124 of a possible 145 starts, or 86 percent, to her sophomore and freshmen classes. Miami's underclassmen also accounted for 4,609 of 5,875 minutes played, or 78 percent. During the 1999-2000 campaign, Miami's freshman class—the current junior class—made an instant impact, amassing 1,906 of a possible 5,625 minutes, or 34 percent of the team's total playing time.

**COLLEGERPI.COM RANKINGS
(As of Jan. 20, 2002)**

RPI	Team	SOS	Rec.
1.	Tennessee	#1	16-1
2.	Oklahoma	#3	15-2
3.	Connecticut	#21	20-0
4.	Wisconsin	#6	16-2
5.	South Carolina	#12	17-2
6.	Texas	#5	13-3
7.	Stanford	#28	18-1
8.	Vanderbilt	#10	18-3
9.	Iowa State	#4	14-4
10.	Duke	#9	15-3
11.	Texas Tech	#2	11-5
12.	Purdue	#11	14-3
13.	Kansas State	#24	17-2
14.	Minnesota	#14	14-3
15.	Virginia Tech	#38	14-2
16.	Georgia	#25	13-4
17.	Florida	#19	13-5
18.	Colorado	#15	13-6
19.	TCU	#61	14-3
20.	Illinois	#27	12-5
21.	Florida Intl	#33	14-5
22.	Boston College	#71	14-3
23.	Auburn	#48	14-4
24.	Colorado State	#82	15-3
25.	LSU	#16	10-6
35.	Western Kentucky	#23	11-6
61.	Louisville	#55	11-7
68.	Clemson	#52	10-7
83.	Valparaiso	#163	11-4
89.	Oregon	#77	10-8
99.	Kentucky	#39	8-10
122.	Toledo	#112	8-7
123.	MIAMI	#181	11-6
126.	Portland	#113	9-8
136.	Ball State	#260	10-4
137.	Northern Illinois	#156	9-7
144.	Kent State	#119	8-9
162.	Eastern Michigan	#189	8-7
176.	Western Michigan	#174	8-9
189.	Detroit	#177	7-9
205.	Buffalo	#201	7-10
211.	St. Francis (Pa.)	#284	8-7
229.	Wright State	#97	3-13
232.	Central Michigan	#277	7-8
251.	Ohio	#309	8-8
273.	Butler	#99	1-17
278.	Marshall	#247	4-11
280.	Bowling Green	#240	4-12
311.	Akron	#254	1-16

What is the RPI?

The RPI (Rating Percentage Index) is a measure of strength of schedule and how a team does against that schedule. It does not consider things like margin of victory or where a game is played, only whether or not a team won. It is used by the NCAA as one of their factors in deciding which teams to invite to the NCAA tournament and where to seed them.

It was created and is maintained by the NCAA Division I Basketball Committee. It has always placed a premium on schedule strength when selecting teams for the tournament, so it wanted a relatively simple way to measure that. Thus, the RPI was born. This page is an independent duplication of those ratings.

What is the formula?

The basic formula is 25% team winning percentage, 50% opponents' average winning percentage, and 25% opponents' opponents' average winning percentage.

For example:

Team A is 5-0, winning pct = 1.000

Team A's opponents' average winning pct = .600

Team A's opponents' opponents' average winning pct = .800

Team A's RPI would be (.25 * 1.000) + (.5 * .600) + (.25 * .800) = .250 + .300 + .200 = .750.

2001-02 SITUATIONAL STATISTICS

TEAM SEASON HIGHS/LOWS

Most Points/Game	103 at Akron, 1-9-02 (W, 103-67)
Fewest Points/Game	55 at Clemson, 12-8-01 (L, 72-55)
Most Points Allowed/Game	92 at Louisville, 12-28-01 (L, 92-71)
Fewest Points Allowed/Game	58 vs. Western Michigan, 1-5-02 (W, 71-58)
Most Points/Half	56 (first half) at Akron, 1-9-02 (W, 103-67)
Fewest Points/Half	24 (second half) at Oregon, 11-18-01 (L, 83-65)
Most Rebounds/Game	47 vs. Butler, 12-2-01 (W, 86-68)
Fewest Rebounds/Game	27 at Louisville, 12-28-01 (L, 92-71)
Most Assists/Game	20, twice—last at Ohio, 1-12-02 (W, 89-73)
Fewest Assists/Game	9, twice—last time at Clemson, 12-8-01 (L, 72-55)
Most Steals/Game	21 vs. Butler, 12-2-01 (W, 86-68)
Fewest Steals/Game	7 at Portland, 11-18-01 (L, 74-61)
Most Blocks/Game	7 vs. Western Kentucky, 12-18-01 (L, 73-68)
Fewest Blocks/Game	0, twice —last vs. Kent State, 1-15-02 (W, 72-67)
Most Turnovers/Game	26 at Oregon, 11-18-01 (L, 83-65)
Fewest Turnovers/Game	15 vs. Northern Illinois, 1-19-02 (L61-74)
Most Field Goals Made/Game	35 at Ohio, 1-12-02 (W, 89-73)
Fewest Field Goals Made/Game	19 at Oregon, 11-18-01 (L, 83-65)
Most 3-Pointers Made/Game	11 at Akron, 1-9-02 (W, 103-67)
Fewest 3-Pointers Made/Game	2, twice—last at Ohio, 1-12-02 (W, 89-73)
Most Free Throws Made/Game	30 at Akron, 1-9-02 (W, 103-67)
Fewest Free Throws Made/Game	4 at Clemson, 12-8-01 (L, 72-55)
Most Fouls/Game	22 at Clemson, 12-8-01 (L, 72-55)
Fewest Fouls/Game	6 vs. Buffalo, 1-3-02 (W, 66-60)
Highest FG%/Game571 (32-of-56) at St. Francis, 12-21-01 (W, 93-80)
Lowest FG%/Game323 (20-62) vs. Northern Illinois, 1-19-02 (L61-74)
Highest 3PT%/Game579 (11-of-19) at Akron, 1-9-02 (W, 103-67)
Lowest 3PT%/Game095 (2-21) at Portland, 11-16-01 (L, 74-61)
Highest FT%/Game833 (15-18) at Portland, 11-16-01 (L, 74-61)
Lowest FT%/Game611 vs. Western Kentucky, 12-18-01 (L, 73-68)

20-POINT GAMES

Player	Pts.	Game	Result
Colleen Day	28	1-12-02 at Ohio	W, 89-73
Heather Cusick	25	1-9-02 at Akron	W, 103-67
Heather Cusick	24	1-3-02 vs. Buffalo	W, 66-60
Kim Lancaster	24	12-18-01 vs. W. Kentucky	L, 73-68
Heather Cusick	23	1-19-02 vs. Northern Illinois	L, 61-74
Heather Cusick	23	11-28-01 at Valparaiso	W, 77-74 OT
Heather Cusick	22	12-15-01 vs. Detroit	W, 68-59
Heather Cusick	22	12-2-01 vs. Butler	W, 86-68
Heather Cusick	21	1-15-02 vs. Kent State	W, 72-67
Heather Cusick	21	11-18-01 at Oregon	L, 83-65

DOUBLE-DOUBLES

Player	Pts.	Reb.	Ast.	Game	Result
Colleen Day	12	12	—	11-16-01 at Portland	L, 74-61
Colleen Day	12	11	—	11-28-01 at Valparaiso	W, 77-74 OT
Colleen Day	19	10	—	12-2-01 vs. Butler	W, 86-68
Kim Lancaster	14	13	—	12-2-01 vs. Butler	W, 86-68
Kim Smith	18	10	—	12-15-01 vs. Detroit	W, 68-59
Colleen Day	14	10	—	12-15-01 vs. Detroit	W, 68-59
Kim Lancaster	14	10	—	12-21-01 at St. Francis	W, 93-80
Kim Lancaster	18	10	—	1-5-02 vs. W. Michigan	W, 71-58
Melanie Kozlowski	18	10	—	1-9-02 at Akron	W, 103-67

STARTING COMBINATIONS

CUSICK—ROEDERER—BUTLER—KOZLOWSKI—DAY	0-1
CUSICK—ROEDERER—BUTLER—LANCASTER—DAY	7-4
CUSICK—ROEDERER—LANCASTER—KOZLOWSKI—DAY	3-1
CUSICK—KOZLOWSKI—BUTLER—LANCASTER—DAY	1-0

MIAMI RECORDS WHEN ...

Overall	11-6
MAC	5-1
Home	6-2
Away	5-4
Neutral	0-0
Overtime	1-0
Last 20 games	13-7
Last 10 games	7-3
Last five games	4-1
In games decided by 1-5 pts.	2-1
In games decided by 6-10 pts.	3-0
In games decided by 10-15 pts.	1-2
In games decided by 15 or more pts.	5-3
When scoring less than 60	0-1
When scoring 60-70	2-4
When scoring 71-80	4-1
When scoring 81 or more	5-0
When allowing less than 60	2-0
When allowing 60-70	5-0
When allowing 71-80	3-4
When allowing 81 or more	1-2
Leading at the half	7-1
Trailing at the half	4-4
Tied at the half	0-1
When outshooting opponent from field ..	9-1
When being outshot from field	2-5
When shooting 45% or better	8-2
When shooting worse than 45%	3-4
Opponent shoots 45% or better	6-4
Opponent shoots worse than 45%	5-2
When outrebounding opponent	9-2
When being tied or outrebounded	2-4
Committing more turnovers	4-5
Committing same or fewer turnovers	7-1
November	2-2
December	4-3
January	5-1
February	0-0
March	0-0
Friday	1-2
Saturday	3-2
Sunday	1-1
Monday	0-0
Tuesday	2-1
Wednesday	3-0
Thursday	1-0
After a win	7-4
After a loss	4-1

2001-02 INDIVIDUAL SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

**#3/11 Hillary Beck
(5-5, G, Fr.)***2001-02 Season/Career Highs***Points:** 8 at Wright State (11-20-01)**Rebounds:** 1, twice**Assists:** 3 at Wright State (11-20-01)**Steals:** 1 vs. Western Michigan (1-5-02)**3-pt. FG:** 1 at Wright State (11-20-01)**#5 Heather Cusick
(5-8, G, Jr.)***2001-02 Season Highs***Points:** 25 at Akron (1-9-02)**Rebounds:** 9, twice**Assists:** 8, three times**Steals:** 4, five times**3-pt. FG:** 5, three times*Career Highs***Points:** 27 vs. Kent State (3-9-01)**Rebounds:** 12 at Toledo (1-8-00)**Assists:** 11 vs. Austin Peay (11-25-00)**Steals:** 7 vs. Ohio (2-25-00)**3-pt. FG:** 5, seven times**#10/22 Katie Schwegmann
(5-10, G, Fr.)***2001-02 Season/Career Highs***Points:** 11 at Wright State (11-20-01)**Rebounds:** 3 vs. Detroit (12-15-01)**Assists:** 2, three times**Steals:** 2 vs. Butler (12-2-01)**3-pt. FG:** 1, three times**#13 Andrea Pruetz
(6-1, C, Jr.)***2001-02 Season Highs***Points:** 3 at Wright State (11-20-01)**Rebounds:** 1 at Wright State (11-20-01)**Assists:** —**Steals:** —**Blocked Shots:** —*Career Highs***Points:** 4 vs. Charleston (12-20-99)**Rebounds:** 5 vs. Charleston (12-20-99)**Assists:** 1, twice**Steals:** 1, twice**Blocked Shots:** 1, twice**#15 Melanie Kozlowski
(6-0, G, So.)***2001-02 Season Highs***Points:** 18 at Akron (1-9-02)**Rebounds:** 10 at Akron (1-9-02)**Assists:** 4 vs. Butler (12-2-01)**Steals:** 3 at Akron (1-9-02)**3-pt. FG:** 3, twice*Career Highs***Points:** 18 at Akron (1-9-02)**Rebounds:** 10 at Akron (1-9-02)**Assists:** 4 vs. Butler (12-2-01)**Steals:** 4 vs. Valparaiso (12-31-00)**3-pt. FG:** 3, four times**#21 Beth Roederer
(5-10, G, Jr.)***2001-02 Season Highs***Points:** 17 at Valparaiso (11-28-01)**Rebounds:** 4 at Wright State (11-20-01)**Assists:** 7 at St. Francis (Pa.) (12-21-01)**Steals:** 3, three times**3-pt. FG:** 2 vs. Kentucky (12-5-01)*Career Highs***Points:** 21 at Western Michigan (2-17-01)**Rebounds:** 5, twice**Assists:** 8 vs. Toledo (1-6-01)**Steals:** 3, five times**3-pt. FG:** 4, twice**#23 Karla Lockhart
(5-11, F, Sr.)***2001-02 Season Highs***Points:** —**Rebounds:** 1, twice**Assists:** 1 at Ohio (1-12-02)**Steals:** 1, twice*Career Highs***Points:** —**Rebounds:** 1, three times**Assists:** 1, twice**Steals:** 1, twice**#24 Kim Smith
(5-11, F, Fr.)***2001-02 Season/Career Highs***Points:** 18 vs. Detroit (12-15-01)**Rebounds:** 10 vs. Detroit (12-15-01)**Assists:** 3, twice**Steals:** 5 at Akron (1-9-02)**Blocked Shots:** 2 vs. Butler (12-2-01)**#30 Jana Butler
(6-2, C, Jr.)***2001-02 Season Highs***Points:** 15 at Akron (1-9-02)**Rebounds:** 8, three times**Assists:** 3 vs. Western Kentucky (12-18-01)**Steals:** 3 at Ohio (1-12-02)**Blocked Shots:** 2, at Portland (11-16-01)*Career Highs***Points:** 16 vs. Toledo (1-6-01)**Rebounds:** 10, three times**Assists:** 3, twice**Steals:** 3, twice**Blocked Shots:** 2, six times**#35 Colleen Day
(6-0, F, Fr.)***2001-02 Season/Career Highs***Points:** 28 at Ohio (1-12-02)**Rebounds:** 12 at Portland (11-16-01)**Assists:** 5, twice**Steals:** 6 vs. Butler (12-2-01)**3-pt. FG:** 3 vs. Clemson (12-8-01)**Blocked Shots:** 2, twice*Career Highs***Points:** 28 at Ohio (1-12-02)**Rebounds:** 12, twice**Assists:** 5 at Oregon (11-18-01)**Steals:** 6 vs. Butler (12-2-01)**3-pt. FG:** 3 vs. Clemson (12-8-01)**Blocked Shots:** 2, three times**#42 Kim Lancaster
(6-0, C/F, Fr.)***2001-02 Season Highs***Points:** 24 vs. Western Kentucky (12-18-01)**Rebounds:** 13 vs. Butler (12-2-01)**Assists:** 4 at Louisville (12-28-01)**Steals:** 3, five times**Blocked Shots:** 4 vs. W. Kentucky (12-18-01)*Career Highs***Points:** 40 vs. Ball State (3-6-01)**Rebounds:** 13 vs. Butler (12-2-01)**Assists:** 5 vs. Kent State (1-30-01)**Steals:** 5, twice**Blocked Shots:** 4 vs. W. Kentucky (12-18-01)

PLAYERS TO WATCH



#5 • Heather Cusick
Kokomo, Ind.

Miami's starting point guard ... totaled 21 points in Nov. 18 loss at Oregon ... matched a career-best with five 3-point field goals in Oregon loss ... has drained a 3-point basket in nine consecutive contests ... has started 61 consecutive games since the fourth game of her freshman season ... flirted with triple-double in Nov. 20 win at Wright State, tallying 11 points, nine rebounds and eight assists ... hit game-tying three-pointer at buzzer versus Valparaiso (Nov. 28) ... netted season-high 23 versus Valparaiso ... poured in 22 points, including 4-of-5 3-pointers versus Butler ... Named MAC Player of the Week on Dec. 3. ... Netted five 3-point field goals on the way to 22 points versus Detroit ... has five 20-point outings in 12 games this season and currently is maintaining the highest scoring average of her career ... totaled 17 points, nine rebounds and seven assists in defeat of St. Francis (Dec. 21) ... had a season-high 24 points in defeat of Buffalo (Jan. 23) ... named MAC East Player of the Week for the second time on Jan. 7 ... reached 1,000 points for her career after season-high 25-point outing at Akron (Jan. 9) ... totaled 18 points and seven assists in Jan. 12 defeat of Ohio ... netted team-best 21 in Jan. 15 Kent State win ... notched eighth 20-point game with 23 in Jan. 19 loss to Northern Illinois ... has totaled in double digits in 16 straight games ... has hit a 3-point field goal in 21 consecutive outings ... leads the league in scoring (18.3 ppg).

Season	GP-GS	MIN	FG	FGA	PCT	3P	3PA	PCT	FT	FIA	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	AVG	A	TO	BL	ST	PTS	AVG
1999-00	28-25	830	121	278	.435	44	122	.361	47	61	.770	17	99	116	4.1	133	108	2	70	333	11.9
2000-01	29-29	1032	135	336	.402	62	166	.373	86	109	.789	15	122	137	4.7	155	119	4	61	418	14.4
2001-02	17-17	637	104	244	.426	49	128	.383	54	64	.844	10	55	65	3.8	98	82	3	47	311	18.3
Totals	74-71	2499	360	858	.420	155	416	.373	187	234	.799	42	276	318	4.3	386	309	9	178	1062	14.4



#35 • Colleen Day
Independence, Ohio

Starting forward ... notched first career double-double with 12 points and 12 rebounds in Nov. 16 loss at Portland ... dished out a career-high five assists in Nov. 18 loss at Oregon ... recorded 13 points, nine rebounds and three assists in Nov. 20 defeat of Wright State ... tallied second career double-double with 12 points and 11 rebounds at Valparaiso (Nov. 28) ... enjoyed career-highs of 19 points and six steals in Dec. 2 Butler win ... also snared 10 rebounds versus Butler for third double-double of the season ... netted a Miami high 17 points in Clemson loss (Dec. 8) ... has scored in double figures in her last six games ... named MAC Scholar-Athlete of the Week on Dec. 10 ... recorded fourth double-double in first eight games versus Detroit, tallying 14 points, 10 rebounds, five steals and two blocked shots ... has drained 15-of-18 3-point baskets over the past 11 games ... netted a team-high 18 points in Dec. 21 defeat of St. Francis (Pa.) ... nearly missed fifth double-double with 11 points and nine rebounds versus Buffalo (Jan. 3) ... notched 15 points and matched a career high with five assists versus Akron (Jan. 9) ... totaled a career-high 28 points off 11-of-13 shooting in Jan. 12 defeat of Ohio... named MAC East Player of the Week for the second time on Jan. 14..

Season	GP-GS	MIN	FG	FGA	PCT	3P	3PA	PCT	FT	FIA	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	AVG	A	TO	BL	ST	PTS	AVG
2000-01	24-18	557	53	113	.469	4	12	.333	36	47	.766	56	86	142	5.9	40	50	8	31	146	6.1
2001-02	17-17	505	82	143	.573	17	22	.773	41	51	.804	66	63	129	7.6	32	54	9	41	222	13.1
Total	41-35	1062	135	256	.527	21	34	.618	77	98	.786	122	149	271	6.6	72	104	17	72	368	9.0



#42 • Kim Lancaster
Cincinnati, Ohio

Starting forward ... preseason all-MAC selection ... enjoyed best outing in loss at Oregon (Nov. 18), netting 19 points and grabbing seven rebounds ... snared eight boards in Nov. 28 win at Valparaiso ... recorded fourth career double-double versus Butler, pouring in 14 points and grabbing a career-high 13 rebounds ... put together second straight double-digit scoring performance versus Kentucky (Dec. 5), tallying 11 points ... netted season-high 24 points in Western Kentucky loss (Dec. 18), hitting 11-of-18 shots from the field ... swatted a career-high four blocks versus Western Kentucky ... notched second double-double of the season versus St. Francis (Pa.), tallying 14 points and 10 rebounds ... scored in double digits for the third consecutive game with 17 points and a season-high four assists Dec. 28 at Louisville ... notched third double-double of the season with 18 points and 10 rebounds versus Western Michigan (Jan. 5).

Season	GP-GS	MIN	FG	FGA	PCT	3P	3PA	PCT	FT	FIA	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	AVG	A	TO	BL	ST	PTS	AVG
2000-01	29-23	763	169	315	.537	0	0	.000	94	148	.635	57	103	160	5.5	33	44	16	53	432	14.9
2001-02	17-16	494	81	167	.485	0	0	.000	29	57	.509	34	77	111	6.5	18	38	14	26	191	11.2
Total	46-39	1257	250	482	.519	0	0	.000	123	205	.600	91	180	271	5.9	51	82	30	79	623	13.5



#21 • Beth Roederer
Indianapolis, Ind.

Starting off-guard ... Miami's top defensive stopper ... netted season-best 12 points in Nov. 16 loss to Portland ... tallied second double-digit scoring performance with 11 points in Nov. 20 Wright State win ... made three steals in Wright State win ... tallied season-high 17 points and six assists in Nov. 28 win at Valparaiso ... has scored in double digits in each of the last four outings, including a 13-point performance versus Kentucky (Dec. 5) ... dished a season-high seven assists in St. Francis (Pa.) win (Dec. 21) ... suffered a concussion versus Akron on Jan. 9 and sat out the Jan. 12 Ohio game ... returned to action Jan. 15 versus Kent State, tallying 14 points and hitting two game-clinching free throws.

Season	GP-GS	MIN	FG	FGA	PCT	3P	3PA	PCT	FT	FIA	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	AVG	A	TO	BL	ST	PTS	AVG
1999-00	23-0	236	24	59	.407	8	25	.320	15	18	.833	12	20	32	1.4	25	22	2	8	71	3.1
2000-01	29-22	688	75	197	.381	29	93	.312	42	54	.778	11	43	54	1.9	67	78	6	26	221	7.6
2001-02	16-16	452	49	130	.377	5	26	.192	31	36	.861	8	16	24	1.5	41	58	2	19	134	8.4
Totals	68-38	1376	148	386	.383	42	144	.292	88	108	.815	31	79	110	1.6	133	158	10	53	426	6.3

PLAYERS TO WATCH



#30 • Jana Butler
Findlay, Ohio

Starting center ... recorded 10 points and eight rebounds in season-opening loss at Oregon ... netted 12 points off 5-of-9 shooting in Nov. 20 defeat of Wright State ... returned to action on Dec. 5 versus Kentucky after missing a game with an upper respiratory infection ... totaled 10 points and seven rebounds in 21 minutes versus the Wildcats ... cleared a season-tying high eight rebounds versus Western Kentucky (Dec. 18) ... matched season-high with 12 points in St. Francis (Pa.) win on Dec. 21 ... totaled second straight double-digit scoring performance with 10 points Dec. 28 at Louisville ... tallied season-high 13 points in Jan. 12 defeat of Ohio.

Season	GP-GS	MIN	FG	FGA	PCT	3P	3PA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	AVG	A	TO	BL	ST	PTS	AVG
1999-00	28-0	390	35	94	.372	1	8	.125	43	77	.558	39	61	100	3.6	13	32	6	11	114	4.1
2000-01	27-23	581	53	120	.442	0	1	.000	59	90	.656	46	87	133	4.9	20	55	14	25	165	6.1
2001-02	16-13	362	39	96	.406	0	2	.000	33	42	.786	28	39	67	4.2	13	35	6	16	111	6.9
Totals	71-36	1333	127	310	.410	1	11	.091	135	209	.646	113	187	300	4.2	46	122	26	52	390	5.5



#15 • Melanie Kozlowski
Parma, Ohio

Top reserve at the off-guard position ... made first collegiate start in Nov. 16 loss at Portland ... had eight points and seven rebounds in Nov. 18 loss at Oregon ... nearly completed first collegiate double-double versus Valparaiso (Nov. 28), scoring a season-high 15 points while grabbing a career-best nine rebounds ... dished out a career high four assists in Dec. 2 Butler win ... suffered a broken nose versus Kentucky (Dec. 5) but returned the very next game at Clemson (Dec. 8) to start and play 23 minutes ... tallied 11 points in St. Francis (Pa.) win on Dec. 21 ... hit 3-of-4 3-pointers to tally 11 points versus Buffalo (Jan. 3) ... established career highs with 18 points and 10 rebounds while notching first career double-double versus Akron (Jan. 9) ... hit 3-of-4 3-point field goals and finished with 11 points in Jan. 19 loss to Northern Illinois.

Season	GP-GS	MIN	FG	FGA	PCT	3P	3PA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	AVG	A	TO	BL	ST	PTS	AVG
2000-01	29-0	447	59	141	.418	27	76	.355	24	32	.740	28	48	76	2.6	23	30	1	24	169	5.8
2001-02	17-6	451	45	121	.372	20	60	.333	29	34	.853	25	57	82	4.8	25	29	2	16	139	8.2
Totals	46-6	898	104	262	.397	47	136	.346	53	66	.803	53	105	158	3.4	48	59	3	40	308	6.7



#24 • Kim Smith
Gary, Ind.

Reserve at the forward position, who has seen action in each of her first 14collegiate games ... tallied eight points off 3-of-3 shooting from the field and 2-of-2 shooting from the line in collegiate debut at Portland ... nearly recorded first double-double in Nov. 20 Wright State win, notching a team-high 13 points while snagging nine rebounds ... leads team in field goal percentage (.500), netting 12-of-24 shots ... enjoyed career-best defensive totals of four steals and two blocks in Dec. 2 defeat of Butler ... dished a career-high two assists versus Kentucky (Dec. 5) ... enjoyed career outing versus Detroit, notching first double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds ... notched 11 points in Western Kentucky (Dec. 18) loss ... scored in double digits for the third straight game with 13 points versus St. Francis (Pa.) (Dec. 21) ... had a career-high five steals versus Akron (Jan. 9) ... poured in 12 points in 18 minutes versus Ohio (Jan. 12), draining 5-of-6 shots in the second half ... had eight rebounds in Northern Illinois loss (Jan. 19) ... averaging 2.0 steals per game in MAC play.

Season	GP-GS	MIN	FG	FGA	PCT	3P	3PA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	AVG	A	TO	BL	ST	PTS	AVG
2001-02	17-0	284	43	73	.589	0	0	.000	28	43	.651	29	50	79	4.6	16	27	4	26	114	6.7



#10 • Katie Schwegmann
Melbourne, Ky.

Reserve guard ... has seen action in all but one of her first 14 collegiate contests, missing the Dec. 28 Louisville game with the flu ... recorded first collegiate double-figure game on Nov. 20 at Wright State, notching 11 points ... played a season-high 21 minutes versus Butler, collecting seven points, four rebounds and two steals ... broke out of recent slump with 10 points in Akron win (Jan. 9) ... netted five points off 2-of-2 shooting versus Kent State (Jan. 15) ... 2001 Kentucky Miss Basketball.

Season	GP-GS	MIN	FG	FGA	PCT	3P	3PA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	AVG	A	TO	BL	ST	PTS	AVG
2001-02	16-0	179	13	45	.289	3	14	.214	13	17	.765	10	4	14	0.9	12	14	1	10	42	2.6



#11 • Hillary Beck
Kokomo, Ind.

Reserve point guard ... missed first two games with injury ... saw first collegiate action in Nov. 20 defeat of Wright State, netting eight points while dishing out three assists ... returned to action Jan. 4 versus Buffalo, playing five minutes ... played six minutes versus Akron ... backs up former Kokomo High School teammate Heather Cusick at the point.

Season	GP-GS	MIN	FG	FGA	PCT	3P	3PA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	AVG	A	TO	BL	ST	PTS	AVG
2001-02	4-0	26	2	4	.500	1	2	.500	3	5	.600	0	2	2	0.5	3	9	0	1	8	2.0

MIAMI SEASON RECORDS

POINTS

1.	524	Mary Ann Myers, 1981-82
2.	499	Linda Mallender, 1982-83
3.	479	Monica Niemann, 1994-95
4.	453	Maria Fantanarosa, 1987-88
5.	432	Kim Lancaster, 2000-01
6.	422	Monica Niemann, 1992-93
7.	418	Heather Cusick, 2000-01
8.	410	Julie Howell, 1991-92
9.	403	Deb Grushon, 1979-80
10.	397	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1995-96
-	311	Heather Cusick, 2001-02
-	222	Colleen Day, 2001-02
-	191	Kim Lancaster, 2001-02

ASSISTS

1.	167	D'Nelle Seiple, 1991-92
2.	159	Carrie Kent, 1995-96
3.	155	Heather Cusick, 2000-01
4.	140	Linda Mallender, 1982-83
5.	133	Heather Cusick, 1999-00
	133	Carrie Kent, 1994-95
7.	130	Regina Smith, 1989-90
8.	129	Linda Mallender, 1984-85
9.	128	Kim Tullis, 1987-88
10.	125	Maria Fantanarosa, 1988-89
	125	Mary Ann Myers, 1981-82
-	98	Heather Cusick, 2001-02

REBOUNDS

1.	285	AuBree Hamilton, 1998-99
2.	261	Monica Niemann, 1992-93
3.	259	Monica Niemann, 1994-95
4.	255	AuBree Hamilton, 1999-00
5.	252	Monica Niemann, 1993-94
6.	245	AuBree Hamilton, 1997-98
7.	238	Tonya Stubbs, 1984-85
8.	224	LaRae Pettit, 1986-87
9.	221	Arlethia Porter, 1982-83
10.	220	Mary Kay Reeves, 1976-77
-	129	Colleen Day, 2001-02
-	111	Kim Lancaster, 2001-02

FIELD GOALS MADE

1.	211	Linda Mallender, 1982-83
2.	194	Maria Fantanarosa, 1987-88
3.	194	Mary Ann Myers, 1981-82
4.	178	Kris Livingston, 1981-82
5.	175	Kris Livingston, 1980-81
6.	174	Monica Niemann, 1994-95
7.	169	Julie Howell, 1991-92
8.	168	Deb Grushon, 1979-80
9.	160	Tonya Stubbs, 1984-85
10.	158	Mary Kay Reeves, 1975-76
-	104	Heather Cusick, 2001-02
-	82	Colleen Day, 2001-02
-	81	Kim Lancaster, 2001-02

FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED

1.	460	Mary Kay Reeves, 1975-76
2.	411	Maria Fantanarosa, 1987-88
3.	394	Mary Ann Myers, 1981-82
4.	373	Linda Mallender, 1982-83
5.	372	Kris Livingston, 1980-81
6.	363	Gaby Downey, 1987-88
7.	356	Maria Fantanarosa, 1988-89
8.	344	Deb Grushon, 1979-80
9.	343	Gaby Downey, 1989-90
10.	341	Monica Niemann, 1994-95
-	244	Heather Cusick, 2001-02
-	167	Kim Lancaster, 2001-02

FIELD GOAL PCT. (100 ATT.)

1.	.633 (107-169)	Meredith Shelley, 1994-95
2.	.597 (126-211)	Karen Theis, 1984-85
3.	.587 (152-259)	Meredith Shelley, 1995-96
4.	.573 (82-143)	Colleen Day, 2001-02
5.	.568 (92-162)	Tonya Stubbs, 1982-83
6.	.567 (101-178)	Kelley Berens, 1991-92
7.	.566 (211-373)	Linda Mallender, 1982-83
8.	.565 (65-115)	Karen Kin, 1981-82
9.	.562 (82-146)	D'Nelle Seiple, 1990-91
10.	.557 (160-287)	Tonya Stubbs, 1984-85
-	.589 (43-73)	Kim Smith, 2001-02

3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE

1.	68	Jamie Stewart, 1999-00
	68	Lisa Hayden, 1994-95
3.	67	Lisa Hayden, 1993-94
4.	62	Heather Cusick, 2000-01
5.	60	Jamie Stewart, 1998-99
6.	57	Jamie Stewart, 1997-98
7.	51	Carrie Kent, 1996-97
8.	49	Heather Cusick, 2001-02
9.	48	Carrie Kent, 1994-95
10.	44	Hollie Nelsen, 1998-99
	44	Hollie Nelsen, 1999-00
	44	Heather Cusick, 1999-00

3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED

1.	196	Jamie Stewart, 1999-00
2.	192	Lisa Hayden, 1994-95
3.	166	Heather Cusick, 2000-01
4.	160	Jamie Stewart, 1998-99
5.	153	Lisa Hayden, 1993-94
6.	144	Jamie Stewart, 1997-98
7.	137	Carrie Kent, 1996-97
8.	132	Hollie Nelsen, 1999-00
9.	130	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1995-96
10.	128	Hollie Nelsen, 1998-99
-	128	Heather Cusick, 2001-02
-	60	Melanie Kozlowski, 2001-02

FREE THROWS MADE

1.	136	Mary Ann Myers, 1981-82
2.	131	Monica Niemann, 1994-95
3.	117	Monica Niemann, 1992-93
4.	114	Mary Ann Myers, 1980-81
5.	111	Monica Niemann, 1991-92
6.	97	Jamie Stewart, 1997-98
7.	94	Kim Lancaster, 2000-01
8.	91	Monica Niemann, 1993-94
9.	90	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1995-96
10.	86	Heather Cusick, 2000-01
	86	Lori Williams, 1992-93
-	54	Heather Cusick, 2001-02
-	41	Colleen Day, 2001-02

FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED

1.	187	Monica Niemann, 1994-95
2.	185	Mary Ann Myers, 1981-82
3.	154	Mary Ann Myers, 1980-81
4.	148	Kim Lancaster, 2000-01
5.	147	Monica Niemann, 1993-94
6.	141	Monica Niemann, 1991-92
7.	134	Monica Niemann, 1992-93
8.	133	Jamie Stewart, 1997-98
9.	132	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1995-96
	132	Linda Mallender, 1982-83
-	64	Heather Cusick, 2001-02
-	57	Kim Lancaster, 2001-02
-	51	Colleen Day, 2001-02

FREE THROW PCT. (50 MADE)

1.	.897 (78-87)	Julie Howell, 1989-90
2.	.881 (52-59)	Hollie Neslsen, 2000-01
3.	.844 (54-64)	Heather Cusick, 2001-02
4.	.843 (59-70)	Carrie Kent, 1996-97
5.	.833 (85-102)	Julie Howell, 1990-91
6.	.830 (117-141)	Monica Niemann, 1992-93
7.	.824 (84-102)	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1996-97
8.	.819 (96-105)	Lori Williams, 1992-93
9.	.814 (79-97)	Jamie Stewart, 1998-99
	.814 (107-133)	Jamie Stewart, 1997-98
-	.861 (31-36)	Beth Roederer, 2001-02
-	.853 (29-34)	Melanie Kozlowski, 2001-02

STEALS

1.	130	Mary Ann Myers, 1979-80
2.	109	Mary Ann Myers, 1978-79
3.	97	Mary Ann Myers, 1981-82
4.	86	Monica Niemann, 1992-93
5.	85	Linda Mallender, 1982-83
6.	82	D'Nelle Seiple, 1991-92
7.	81	Mary Ann Myers, 1980-81
8.	78	Kim Tullis, 1987-88
9.	77	Kris Livingston, 1980-81
10.	74	Regina Smith, 1989-90
-	47	Heather Cusick, 2001-02
-	41	Colleen Day, 2001-02

BLOCKED SHOTS

1.	51	AuBree Hamilton, 1999-00
2.	46	AuBree Hamilton, 1998-99
	46	Amy Franz, 1985-86
4.	40	Amy Franz, 1986-87
5.	39	Linda Mallender, 1982-83
6.	36	AuBree Hamilton, 1997-98
7.	35	Amy Franz, 1987-88
8.	31	Linda Mallender, 1984-85
9.	30	Gaby Downey, 1989-90
10.	29	Emily Hammond, 1997-98
	29	Emily Hammond, 1996-97
	29	Emily Hammond, 1995-96
	29	Gaby Downey, 1988-89
-	14	Kim Lancaster 2001-02
-	9	Colleen Day, 2001-02

MIAMI CAREER RECORDS

POINTS

1.	1608	Monica Niemann, 1991-1995
2.	1600	Mary Ann Myers, 1978-82
3.	1280	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1993-97
4.	1227	Julie Howell, 1988-92
5.	1226	Kris Livingston, 1979-83
6.	1208	Linda Mallender, 1981-85
7.	1192	Gaby Downey, 1985-90
8.	1148	Tonya Stubbs, 1981-85
9.	1086	Maria Fantanarosa, 1985-89
10.	1062	Heather Cusick, 1999-
-	623	Kim Lancaster, 2000-

ASSISTS

1.	445	Carrie Kent, 1993-97
2.	394	Linda Mallender, 1981-85
3.	386	Heather Cusick, 1999-
4.	369	Regina Smith, 1987-91
5.	341	Heidi Blomberg, 1989-93
6.	336	Mary Ann Myers, 1978-82
7.	323	Maria Fantanarosa, 1985-89
8.	319	Kim Tullis, 1984-88
9.	314	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1993-97
	314	Denise Ryan, 1983-87

REBOUNDS

1.	923	Monica Niemann, 1991-95
2.	815	Tonya Stubbs, 1981-85
3.	806	AuBree Hamilton, 1996-2000
4.	674	Mary Kay Reeves, 1974-78
5.	600	Julie Howell, 1988-92
6.	575	Amy Cooley, 1979-83
7.	551	LaRae Pettit, 1983-87
8.	550	Emily Hammond, 1994-98
9.	543	Gaby Downey, 1985-90
10.	535	Meredith Shelley, 1993-97
-	318	Heather Cusick, 1999-
-	271	Kim Lancaster, 2000-
-	271	Colleen Day, 2000-

FIELD GOALS MADE

1.	594	Mary Ann Myers, 1978-82
2.	577	Monica Niemann, 1991-95
3.	575	Kris Livingston, 1979-83
4.	504	Linda Mallender, 1981-85
5.	479	Julie Howell, 1988-92
6.	471	Maria Fantanarosa, 1985-89
7.	436	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1993-97
8.	409	Heidi Blomberg, 1989-93
9.	379	Adrienne Spatz, 1987-91
10.	378	Kim Tullis, 1984-88
-	360	Heather Cusick, 1999-
-	250	Kim Lancaster, 2000-

FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED

1.	1305	Mary Ann Myers, 1978-82
2.	1219	Monica Niemann, 1991-95
3.	1206	Gaby Downey, 1985-90
4.	1176	Kris Livingston, 1979-83
5.	1075	Mary Kay Reeves, 1974-78
6.	1054	Maria Fantanarosa, 1985-89
7.	1031	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1993-97
8.	1020	Linda Mallender, 1981-85
9.	986	Shawn Manns, 1994-98
10.	949	Heidi Blomberg, 1989-93
-	858	Heather Cusick, 1999-
-	482	Kim Lancaster, 2000-

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE (500 att.)

1.	.582 (327-562)	Meredith Shelley, 1993-97
2.	.529 (452-854)	Tonya Stubbs, 1981-85
3.	.518 (339-650)	LaRae Pettit, 1983-87
4.	.510 (479-940)	Julie Howell, 1988-92
5.	.501 (335-668)	AuBree Hamilton, 1996-00
6.	.494 (504-1020)	Linda Mallender, 1981-85
7.	.491 (258-525)	Amy Franz, 1984-88
8.	.489 (575-1176)	Kris Livingston, 1979-83
9.	.479 (242-505)	Tonya Smoot, 1994-98
10.	.474 (271-572)	D'Nelle Seiple, 1988-92
-	.527 (135-256)	Colleen Day, 2000-
-	.519 (250-482)	Kim Lancaster, 2000-

3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE

1.	208	Jamie Stewart, 1996-2000
2.	205	Lisa Hayden, 1991-95
3.	155	Heather Cusick, 1999-
4.	144	Hollie Nelsen, 1997-01
5.	136	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1993-97
	136	Carrie Kent, 1993-97
7.	69	Adrienne Spatz, 1987-91
8.	64	Shawn Manns, 1994-98
9.	58	Becky Alexander, 1995-99
10.	47	Melanie Kozlowski, 2000-
-	42	Beth Roederer, 1999-

3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED

1.	570	Jamie Stewart, 1996-00
2.	534	Lisa Hayden, 1991-95
3.	436	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1993-97
4.	421	Hollie Nelsen, 1997-01
5.	416	Heather Cusick, 1999-
6.	379	Carrie Kent, 1993-97
7.	207	Becky Alexander, 1995-99
8.	189	Shawn Manns, 1994-98
9.	172	Adrienne Spatz, 1987-91
10.	144	Beth Roederer, 1999-
-	136	Melanie Kozlowski, 2000-

FREE THROWS MADE

1.	450	Monica Niemann, 1991-95
2.	412	Mary Ann Myers, 1978-82
3.	272	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1993-97
4.	268	Julie Howell, 1988-92
5.	244	Tonya Stubbs, 1981-85
6.	221	Jamie Stewart, 1996-00
7.	217	Tonya Smoot, 1994-98
8.	205	Amy Cooley, 1979-83
9.	200	Linda Mallender, 1981-85
10.	199	Anita Quinton, 1976-80
-	187	Heather Cusick, 1999-
-	123	Kim Lancaster, 2000-

FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED

1.	609	Monica Niemann, 1991-95
2.	592	Mary Ann Myers, 1978-82
3.	401	Tonya Stubbs, 1981-85
4.	386	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1993-97
5.	334	Linda Mallender, 1981-85
6.	321	Julie Howell, 1988-92
7.	312	Amy Cooley, 1979-83
8.	300	Anita Quinton, 1976-80
9.	284	Carol Bruning, 1979-82
10.	276	Jamie Stewart, 1996-00
-	234	Heather Cusick, 1999-
-	205	Kim Lancaster, 2000-

FREE THROW PCT. (min. 140 attempts)

1.	.835 (177-212)	Hollie Nelsen, 1996-01
2.	.835 (268-321)	Julie Howell, 1988-92
3.	.809 (186-230)	Jamie Stewart, 1996-00
4.	.799 (187-234)	Heather Cusick, 1999-
5.	.775 (163-210)	Heidi Blomberg, 1990-93
6.	.755 (182-241)	Lori Williams, 1990-94
7.	.742 (196-264)	Emily Hammond, 1994-98
8.	.739 (450-609)	Monica Niemann, 1991-95
9.	.732 (149-207)	Mallory Martin, 1985-89
10.	.724 (157-217)	Gaby Downey, 1985-90
-	.815 (88-108)	Beth Roederer, 1999-
-	.803 (53-66)	Melanie Kozlowski, 2000-
-	.786 (77-98)	Colleen Day, 2000-

STEALS

1.	417	Mary Ann Myers, 1978-82
2.	284	Monica Niemann, 1991-95
3.	235	Jennifer Wenclewicz, 1993-97
4.	220	Heidi Blomberg, 1989-93
5.	214	Linda Mallender, 1981-85
6.	211	Kris Livingston, 1979-83
7.	207	Regina Smith, 1987-91
8.	190	Hollie Nelsen, 1997-01
9.	187	D'Nelle Seiple, 1988-92
10.	180	Amy Cooley, 1979-83
-	178	Heather Cusick, 1999-
-	79	Kim Lancaster, 2000-
-	72	Colleen Day, 2000-

BLOCKED SHOTS

1.	134	AuBree Hamilton, 1996-2000
2.	131	Amy Franz, 1984-88
3.	110	Linda Mallender, 1981-85
4.	92	Emily Hammond, 1994-98
5.	88	Gaby Downey, 1985-90
6.	66	Monica Niemann, 1991-95
	66	Julie Howell, 1988-92
8.	63	Emily Hammond, 1994-98
9.	60	Meredith Shelley, 1993-97
10.	58	Deb Grushon, 1978-82
-	30	Kim Lancaster, 2000-
-	26	Jana Butler, 1999-

2001-02 Game-by-Game

Game 1

Miami 61

Portland 74

Nov. 16, 2001—Portland, Ore.

Hampered by a dismal shooting night, Miami fell 74-61 to Portland in both teams' season-opener.

The Pilots started the game on a 9-0 run and led by as many as 21 points with 1:13 left in the half, but Miami, which shot just 29 percent in the first half, scored eight points in the closing minutes to pull within 17 at the half.

Miami continued to trim Portland's lead in the second half, assembling several brief runs that eventually brought the RedHawks within six at 63-57. The Pilots buried five of their last six free throws, however, and Miami would get no closer.

On the night, Miami shot .334 from the field and committed 21 turnovers, while the Pilots drained .450 of their shots and made 15 steals and six blocked shots.

Colleen Day led Miami with 12 points and 12 rebounds—her first career double-double. Jana Butler added 10 points and eight rebounds, while Beth Roederer poured in 12 points.

Tami Standish led Portland, pouring in 15 points while grabbing eight rebounds. Khalila Williams added a double-double for the pilots, tallying 14 points and 12 rebounds.

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Cusick, G	3-19	1-11	0-0	4	7	4	2	40
Roederer, G	4-13	0-4	4-5	1	12	0	1	35
Butler, C	3-8	0-0	4-4	8	10	1	1	32
Kozlowski, F	1-7	0-4	2-2	6	4	1	1	24
Day, F	4-7	1-1	3-5	12	12	3	2	31
Schwegmann	1-3	0-1	0-0	2	2	0	0	9
Smith	3-3	0-0	2-2	1	8	0	0	15
Lancaster	3-5	0-0	0-0	4	6	0	0	14
team				6				
	22-65	2-21	15-18	44	61	9	7	200
	.378	.083	.875					

Portland	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Giles, G	5-9	2-5	1-2	5	13	9	5	34
Standish, G	7-13	0-1	1-3	8	15	2	0	35
Williams, C	6-15	0-0	2-4	12	14	1	2	28
Woods, F	1-4	0-0	5-9	4	7	3	4	29
Asher, F	2-4	0-0	0-0	4	4	1	0	18
Moldenhauer	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0+
Felts	4-5	0-1	1-2	1	9	1	3	11
Medley	0-1	0-0	1-2	2	1	1	1	11
Seltzer	1-5	1-4	6-8	1	9	1	0	22
Werner	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	2
Botto	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0+
Harz	1-3	0-1	0-0	1	2	0	0	10
Beardslee	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0+
team				3				
	27-60	3-12	17-30	42	74	19	15	200
	.450	.250	.567					

Miami	25	36	—	61
Portland	42	32	—	74

Game 2

Miami 65

Oregon 83

Nov. 18, 2001—Eugene, Ore.

Miami started its season 0-2 for the third time in the past five seasons by falling 83-65 at PAC-10 power Oregon.

Following a back-and-forth struggle early in the first half, Oregon went on an 11-2 run and led by as many as 11 in the half. Miami, paced by Kim Lancaster's 13 first-half points, rallied to pull within 45-41 by halftime.

A trey by Heather Cusick, who finished with a game-high 21, pulled Miami within one point to start the second half, but an 8-0 Oregon run ended the RedHawks' hopes. Miami hit just 7-of-30 (.233) field goals in the second half, while Oregon shot 50 percent for the game. The Red and White also committed a season-high 26 turnovers in the loss.

Cusick hit 5-of-8 3-point field goals on the way to her 21 points, while Lancaster finished with 19 points and seven boards. Colleen Day contributed eight points, six rebounds and a career-best five assists on the day.

Oregon, which received 14 votes in the preseason AP poll, was paced by guards Shaquala Williams and Jamie Craighead, who totaled 16 points apiece.

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Cusick, G	6-11	5-8	4-5	1	21	3	4	35
Roederer, G	0-6	0-4	0-0	1	0	1	0	23
Butler, C	0-3	0-0	1-2	2	1	1	0	18
Lancaster, F	8-15	0-0	3-6	7	19	0	2	34
Day, F	1-5	0-0	6-6	6	8	5	1	27
Schwegmann	1-4	0-1	4-4	2	6	0	0	17
Kozlowski	2-10	0-2	4-5	7	8	1	1	31
Lockhart	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	1
Smith	1-4	0-0	0-0	2	2	1	2	14
team				3				
	19-58	5-15	22-28	31	65	12	11	200
	.328	.333	.786					

Oregon	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Williams, G	8-16	0-3	0-0	2	16	2	1	32
Craighead, G	4-7	4-4	4	4	16	5	1	25
Curry, G	4-8	2-5	0-0	1	10	4	1	14
Fredrick, F	1-3	0-0	0-0	4	2	0	2	12
Unaka, F	0-1	0-0	2-3	5	2	1	1	17
Turner	0-0	0-0	1-2	1	1	0	0	4
Shreve	1-4	1-3	0-0	0	3	2	0	14
Parrish	3-4	0-0	0-0	5	6	0	1	15
Edwards	2-4	0-0	0-0	2	4	1	1	16
Taylor	0-4	0-3	0-0	1	0	2	0	11
Gunderson	4-5	0-1	0-1	1	8	0	0	6
Kraayeveld	3-4	0-0	2-2	4	8	2	0	14
Bills	3-6	0-0	1-2	5	7	1	1	20
team				2				
	33-66	7-19	10-14	37	83	20	9	200
	.500	.222	.714					

Miami	41	24	—	65
Oregon	45	38	—	83

Game 3

Miami 98

Wright State 73

Nov. 20, 2001—Dayton, Ohio

Led by six players in double-digits, Miami found its shooting touch and rolled to its first victory at Wright State University's Nutter Center, defeating the Raiders 98-73.

The Red and White, which hit its first 10 free throws, seized control right from the start, cruising to a 14-2 lead by the 15:20 mark with a balanced attack. Starting with a Jana Butler layup at 11:13, Miami embarked on a 16-0 run that extended until the 6:24 mark and increased the RedHawks' advantage to 38-8.

Led by freshman Kim Smith and Butler, who tallied 10 apiece in the half, Miami kept the heat on the Raiders, increasing their halftime advantage to a nearly insurmountable 32 points at 55-23. Other key contributors for the RedHawks during the half were Colleen Day, who snared a team-high six rebounds to go with six points, and Heather Cusick, who dished out five assists to go with seven points.

A back and forth battle ensued in the second half, with the Raiders closing to within 18 at the seven-minute mark but never being able to pull any further.

Day and Smith led the way with 13 points apiece, while Butler contributed 12 and Cusick, Roederer and Schwegmann added 11. Cusick flirted with the triple-double dishing eight assists while grabbing nine boards. Day matched Cusick with a game-high nine boards.

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Cusick, G	4-9	1-4	2-2	9	11	8	3	27
Roederer, G	4-7	1-3	2-2	4	11	0	3	23
Butler, C	5-9	0-1	2-2	2	12	0	1	23
Lancaster, F	3-10	0-0	1-3	5	7	2	1	24
Day, F	3-9	0-2	7-8	9	13	3	1	24
Schwegmann	4-6	1-3	2-2	0	11	2	1	18
Beck	2-4	1-2	3-4	0	8	3	0	12
Pruett	0-0	0-0	3-4	1	3	0	0	5
Kozlowski	4-7	0-1	1-1	4	9	2	1	22
Lockhart	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	4
Smith	5-7	0-0	3-4	9	13	0	0	18
team				1				
	34-68	4-16	26-32	44	98	20	12	200
	.500	.250	.813					

Wright St.	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Webb, G	5-14	2-10	4-4	2	16	3	2	30
Hutson, G	1-5	0-0	1-2	1	3	3	0	14
Swain, C	6-7	0-0	2-2	4	14	0	2	20
Bussan, F	2-3	0-0	0-2	4	4	3	1	28
Sawyer, F	3-8	0-0	0-0	3	6	1	0	22
Dunn	1-7	0-0	0-0	2	2	1	1	19
Ransdell	2-7	0-0	2-4	3	6	4	3	22
Thompson	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	7
Glance	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	4
Ott	5-8	0-1	3-4	4	13	1	0	17
Pennington	3-7	0-1	3-4	5	9	0	0	17
team				7				
	28-66	2-12	15-22	36	73	19	9	200
	.424	.167	.682					

Miami	55	43	—	98
Wright St.	23	50	—	73

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Game 4

Miami 77

Valparaiso 74 (OT)

Nov. 28, 2001—Valparaiso, Ind.

Heather Cusick buried an off-balance 3-pointer at the buzzer to force overtime and eventually lift Miami University's women's basketball team to a dramatic 77-74 defeat of Valparaiso University at the Valparaiso Athletic Recreation Center.

Trailing by 11 points with less than six minutes to play, Miami assembled a brilliant rally that was capped by a Cusick layup at 2:12 that gave the RedHawks their first lead of the second half. Valparaiso battled back, capturing a three-point lead with eight seconds remaining. Cusick hit the off-balance trey from the top of the key as time expired to tie the game at 68-68.

In overtime, Miami fell down by four points early, but forced a pair of turnovers with its full-court press and cashed in on two Cusick buckets, including a long jumper with 13 seconds left. Valparaiso was unable to get off a shot in the closing seconds.

In the first half, Miami scored on its first three possessions to claim a 7-4 advantage and used three consecutive buckets from Beth Roederer to lead 11-6. Hampered by early foul trouble and a six-minute span without a field goal, Miami's lead quickly evaporated, and the Crusaders led 36-29 at the half.

Miami was led on the night by Cusick, who netted 23 points. Roederer and Kozlowski contributed 17 and 15, respectively, while Colleen Day contributed 12 points and 11 rebounds for her second career double-double.

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Cusick, G	8-17	3-7	4-6	6	23	7	1	45
Roederer, G	6-16	1-3	4-4	3	17	6	2	43
Lancaster, F	1-4	0-0	3-4	8	5	1	3	34
Kozlowski, F	4-9	2-6	5-6	9	15	2	2	42
Day, F	5-11	0-0	2-3	11	12	0	1	30
Schwegmann	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	5
Lockhart	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	5
Smith	2-4	0-0	1-2	2	5	0	1	17
Butler	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	4
team				5				
	26-64	6-16	19-25	45	77	16	11	225
	.406	.375	.760					

Valparaiso	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Schoeber, F	11-14	0-0	0-2	7	22	0	1	32
Gray, F	8-20	0-2	7-11	7	23	1	5	33
Nieuwveen, C	8-14	0-0	1-2	9	17	2	1	29
Knoester, G	3-8	2-4	0-0	3	8	4	0	22
Hammel, G	0-8	0-7	0-1	2	0	6	2	44
Boone	0-0	0-0	0-0	5	0	4	0	24
McIntosh	1-4	0-3	0-0	1	2	1	1	10
Stangler	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	2	0	0	26
Springer	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
Frede	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
team				3				
	32-70	2-16	8-16	41	74	18	10	225
	.457	.125	.500					

Miami	29	39	9	—	77
Valparaiso	36	32	6	—	74

Game 5

Butler 68

Miami 86

Dec. 2, 2001—Oxford, Ohio

Miami University's women's basketball team put on a show in its 2001-02 home opener, recording double-doubles from Colleen Day and Kim Lancaster and a second straight 20-point outing from Heather Cusick on the way to posting an 86-68 win over Butler University.

Sparked by 10 straight points from Cusick and Beth Roederer to open the game, Miami raced to a 12-2 lead by the 16:26 mark. A brief Butler run pulled the Bulldogs within six, but the RedHawks quickly responded with a 20-8 run over the next five minutes to lead by as many as 17 points at 4:45.

Butler, aided by a handful of Miami's 15 first-half turnovers, scored five points in the final minute to close within 39-25 at the half. Leading Miami in the half were Day, who netted 11 points, and Cusick, who contributed 10. Lancaster, who missed the end of the first half after twisting her ankle, snared nine first-half rebounds. Nancy Bowden led Butler with eight first-half tallies.

Leading 51-40 at 15:21 in the second half, Miami, sparked by red-hot perimeter shooting and the strong inside play of Lancaster and Day, embarked on an 11-0 run over the next two minutes to push its lead to 20 points and continued to press the lead as high as 25 points by the 11-minute mark.

Cusick led all scorers with 22 points off 9-of-13 shooting from the field. Day followed closely with a career-high 19 points and 10 rebounds, notching her third double-double in five games. Lancaster finished with 14 points and 13 rebounds. Also tallying double digits was Roederer, who added 10 points.

Butler	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Goodwin, F	1-7	0-0	0-0	6	2	1	1	25
Bolten, F	3-7	1-2	0-0	4	7	2	2	25
Urquhart, C	3-8	0-0	1-2	10	7	1	1	34
Bowden, G	2-5	1-2	7-8	2	12	4	4	30
Pryor, G	4-12	1-4	0-0	4	9	1	0	25
Ozor	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	1	6
Marchesano	4-13	4-11	0-0	1	12	0	0	16
Smith	3-5	0-1	1-1	0	7	1	2	11
Mason	4-9	0-1	0-2	5	8	2	2	19
Schmidt	1-3	0-2	0-0	1	2	0	1	5
Cox	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Dunkman	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
team	26-70	7-23	9-13	40	68	12	14	200
	.371	.304	.692					

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Day, F	7-11	2-3	3-4	10	19	2	6	32
Lancaster, F	5-11	0-0	4-8	13	14	0	1	24
Cusick, G	9-13	4-5	0-0	3	22	5	4	36
Kozlowski, G	2-8	2-5	0-0	5	6	4	1	31
Roederer, G	4-6	0-0	2-2	0	10	1	3	25
Pruett	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0	2
Schwegmann	2-13	0-3	3-5	4	7	1	2	21
Lockhart	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
Smith	1-6	0-0	4-4	6	6	1	4	25
Anderson	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	2
team	31-70	8-16	16-23	47	86	14	21	200
	.443	.500	.696					

Butler	27	41	-	68
Miami	39	47	-	86

Game 6

Kentucky 73

Miami 64

Dec. 5, 2001—Oxford, Ohio

Led by five players in double figures, Miami women's basketball team ended a five-game drought versus the University of Kentucky and won its fourth consecutive game, defeating the Wildcats 73-64 Wednesday night in Millett Hall.

In a back and forth first half, Miami held a narrow lead for much of the early going and pressed that lead as high as 21-14 at 10:16 with a **Jana Butler** bucket. Following a 30-second timeout, Kentucky regrouped and outscored Miami 11-2 over the next seven minutes to claim a 25-23 advantage.

Miami temporarily regained the lead with a **Colleen Day** 3-point basket, but the Wildcats scored the last four points of the half to stake a 31-28 halftime advantage. Miami was led by Day's 10 points and six rebounds during the half, while SeSe Helm paced Kentucky with eight points.

The RedHawks came out firing on all cylinders in the second half, outscoring the Wildcats 17-4 out of the gates and staking a 45-35 advantage by 13:53. Once again, a timeout proved to be the answer for UK, which turned up the intensity level on the defensive end and trimmed Miami's lead to four over the next six minutes.

With the Wildcats appearing to be in firm control of the momentum, **Heather Cusick** answered the call for Miami, burying a 3-point field goal and two free throws to breathe new life into the RedHawks, who pressed their advantage to 11 points by the eight-minute mark.

Kentucky kept the pressure on, rallying within five with less than 15 seconds to play, but Miami hit four free throws in the last 12 seconds to clinch its first win versus UK since 1995.

Pacing Miami were five players in double figures, led by Cusick's 16 points and eight assists. Day tallied 15 points and eight rebounds, while **Beth Roederer** added 13, **Kim Lancaster** poured in 11 and Butler added 10.

Kentucky	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
McDole, F	7-11	0-0	0-1	7	14	3	5	32
Jones, F	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0	10
Helm, C	8-16	0-0	2-4	9	18	0	2	32
Adams, G	5-10	0-0	1-2	5	11	5	5	39
Payne, G	1-3	0-1	0-0	3	2	0	2	12
Potts	2-11	1-7	2-2	5	7	3	2	35
Connolly	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
Hawthorne	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Patterson	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	1
Tate	1-3	0-0	1-1	0	3	3	0	11
Stoglin	3-5	0-0	1-5	1	7	1	1	24
team	28-62	1-8	7-15	36	64	15	17	200
	.452	.125	.467					

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Kozlowski, F	2-5	1-3	0-0	3	5	1	0	22
Day, F	5-6	2-2	3-4	8	15	0	1	29
Lancaster, F	5-9	0-0	1-4	6	11	1	2	27
Cusick, G	4-10	2-5	6-6	1	16	8	4	40
Roederer, G	5-9	2-3	1-2	0	13	2	0	38
Schwegmann	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	1	10
Smith	1-1	0-0	1-2	6	3	2	0	13
Butler	3-11	0-0	4-6	7	10	0	0	21
team	25-51	7-13	16-24	34	73	15	8	200
	.490	.538	.667					

Kentucky	31	33	-	64
Miami	28	45	-	73

Game 7

Miami 55
Clemson 72

Dec. 8, 2001—Clemson, S.C.

Miami University's women's basketball was unable to overcome a pair of explosive second-half runs, as the RedHawks fell 72-55 to the Clemson University Lady Tigers in Clemson's LittleJohn Coliseum.

After staking a 3-2 lead off a Colleen Day 3-point field goal in the opening minutes, Miami was held without a field goal for more than five minutes and trailed 10-4 at the 13:30 mark. Sparked by Heather Cusick, who rattled off five unanswered points, Miami rallied to tie the game 14-14 with a Melanie Kozlowski trey at 11:06.

Miami, which drained 6-of-15 3-point field goals in the first half, used two treys by Day and one by Cusick to push its lead as high as 25-20 by the 5:31 mark. Clemson, which hit 8-of-10 free throws in the half, finished the half on a 7-2 run to forge a 27-27 halftime tie. Day led Miami with 11 points and five rebounds, while Cusick contributed eight points, six rebounds and four assists.

Clemson came roaring out of the gates in the second half, netting 11 unanswered points and building a 24-7 run to lead by as many as 51-34. Down but not beaten, Miami began a rally of its own, following a timeout, and cut the Tiger lead to 52-45 with an 11-1 run of its own. A series of untimely Miami fouls and accurate free throw shooting by Clemson halted Miami's run, as Clemson awakened and embarked on a 12-4 run over the next several minutes to put the game out of reach.

Miami, which dropped to 4-3 on the season and remained winless versus the ACC, was led by Day, who netted 17 points and nine rebounds. Cusick, who was held without an assist in the second half, finished with 16 points, seven rebounds four assists and four steals.

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Kozlowski, F	2-5	1-4	0-0	2	5	0	0	23
Day, F	7-12	3-3	0-0	9	17	1	1	35
Lancaster, C	4-13	0-0	0-0	7	8	0	1	28
Cusick, G	6-18	3-11	1-2	7	16	4	4	40
Roederer, G	0-5	0-1	2-2	1	2	3	1	26
Schwegmann	0-3	0-2	1-2	0	1	1	0	12
Smith	1-2	0-0	0-0	3	2	0	1	14
Butler	2-4	0-0	0-0	6	4	0	1	22
team	22-62	7-21	4-6	42	55	9	9	200
	.355	.333	.667					

Clemson	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Glenney, F	1-6	0-0	0-0	3	2	2	0	15
Aderhold, F	2-8	1-2	4-4	7	9	0	0	33
Slosser, C	6-10	0-0	1-5	12	13	0	1	27
Scott, G	2-7	1-2	4-5	2	9	2	2	34
Floyd, G	5-12	1-2	5-6	3	16	1	2	34
Andrew	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	4
Brunson	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Queen	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	6	1	20
Stokes	6-11	1-4	7-8	9	20	1	4	21
Vasilas	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Roper	0-4	0-0	1-2	2	1	0	1	10
Blackmon	1-2	0-0	0-0	4	2	0	0	10
team	23-62	4-10	22-30	45	72	12	11	200
	.371	.400	.733					

Miami	27	28	-	55
Clemson	27	45	-	72

Game 8

Detroit 59
Miami 68

Dec. 15, 2001—Oxford, OH

Led by Kim Smith and Colleen Day, who each contributed double-doubles, Miami University's women's basketball team kept the home fires burning Saturday afternoon in Millett Hall, defeating the University of Detroit-Mercy Titans 68-59 for its 10th straight home victory.

Though neither team appeared sharp in the first half, Detroit, which shot 54 percent from the field, claimed a 32-27 halftime lead. Miami, which never led in the half, rallied behind Heather Cusick and Day 3-point buckets to tie the game at 12-12 by the 11:55 mark.

Detroit regained the lead with an April Savalli jumper and led the remainder of the half, despite committing 13 first-half turnovers. Miami, which committed 10 miscues of its own, was led by Day, who totaled 10 points and five rebounds, and Smith, who poured in eight points. Michelle James poured in seven first-half points to lead the Titans.

The game continued along similar lines early in the second half, as Detroit maintained a lead of between two and six points, but at 10:42 Cusick brought Miami to life with a 3-pointer that gave the RedHawks their first lead of the game at 45-42. The RedHawks built their lead as high as 54-48, but Detroit rallied over the next two minutes, knotting the score at 55-55 and eventually reclaiming the lead at 59-58 with a James free throw.

Consecutive treys by Cusick and Day, who has hit her last eight 3-point attempts, over the next 1:30 put Miami back in the lead at 64-59. The RedHawk defense held the Titans without a bucket for the final 3:30 on the way to the win.

Cusick led Miami in scoring on the day, pouring in 22 points, including 5-of-9 3-point field goals. Smith, a freshman, contributed her first career double-double with 18 points and 11 rebounds, while Day notched her fourth double-double of the year with 14 points and 10 boards.

Detroit	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Wild, F	1-3	0-0	0-0	4	2	1	1	20
Henry, F	5-8	0-0	1-1	12	11	2	1	29
McGee, G	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	1	0	9
James, G	3-14	0-4	7-8	4	13	3	3	34
Peterman, G	5-9	1-2	0-0	3	11	3	1	23
Anaejionu	1-4	0-0	0-0	2	2	0	0	13
Harakas	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	1	4
Krzyzek	2-4	2-4	0-0	0	6	0	1	14
Winters	2-3	1-2	0-0	2	5	0	1	10
Savalli	2-5	0-2	1-2	3	5	0	0	10
Williamson	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
Bortz	1-5	0-0	0-0	6	2	0	0	25
Crum	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0	6
team	23-59	4-15	9-11	40	59	11	9	200
	.390	.267	.818					

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Day, F	6-9	2-2	0-0	10	14	1	5	35
Lancaster, F	2-7	0-0	1-2	4	5	0	0	23
Butler, C	0-5	0-0	0-0	4	0	1	1	29
Cusick, G	6-13	5-9	5-6	1	22	4	4	36
Roederer, G	3-11	0-1	3-3	2	9	3	3	25
Kozlowski	0-4	0-3	0-0	3	0	3	0	21
Schwegmann	0-3	0-0	0-0	3	0	0	1	10
Smith	8-12	0-0	2-6	10	18	1	2	21
team	25-64	7-15	11-17	40	68	13	16	200
	.391	.467	.647					

Detroit	32	27	-	59
Miami	27	41	-	68

Game 9

Western Kentucky 73
Miami 68

Dec. 18, 2001—Oxford, OH

As all good things do, Miami University's 10-game home winning streak came to an end, as Western Kentucky University handed Miami a difficult 73-68 defeat.

After taking an early 4-0 lead off two Kim Lancaster buckets, Miami surrendered seven unanswered points to the Lady Toppers and trailed by as many as seven points midway through half. A Heather Cusick jumper with four minutes remaining put Miami in front for the first time in more than 11 minutes at 26-25. With three seconds remaining Lancaster banked in a short jumper over a WKU defender to send the RedHawks to the locker room with a 33-32 halftime advantage. Lancaster broke out of a recent funk with 18 first-half points off 9-of-14 shooting from the field.

After extending its lead to 36-32 with a Cusick 3-pointer on the first possession of the second half, Miami suffered through a 16-2 WKU run sparked by the Lady Toppers' full-court press and trailed 48-38 at the 15-minute mark. Miami steadily worked its way back into the game over the next five minutes, rallying to 53-51 by the 9:35 mark, but timely Lady Topper shooting pressed the advantage to eight points by the seven-minute mark. Miami made a final push in the last two minutes, tallying a Cusick 3-point bucket to close to 69-66 with just over a minute to play, but WKU hit four consecutive free throws to clinch the win.

Lancaster led Miami with 24 points and nine rebounds, while Cusick added 12 points, six rebounds and seven assists and Kim Smith notched her second consecutive double-digit scoring outing with 11 points.

WKU	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Covington, F	2-8	1-6	0-0	7	5	4	7	31
Reese, F	2-3	0-0	2-2	11	6	1	2	27
Diggins, C	5-11	0-0	4-7	9	14	0	1	31
Powers, G	8-16	4-8	6-7	2	26	3	1	35
Whitaker, G	2-9	0-1	0-0	0	4	4	3	31
Johnson	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	2	0	0	8
Logsdon	4-11	1-4	1-2	3	10	1	2	20
Ford	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	1
Truitt	1-5	1-5	3-3	1	6	1	2	15
Riedeman	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Lineberry	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0+
team	25-66	7-24	16-21	39	73	14	18	200
	.379	.292	.762					

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Day, F	3-6	0-1	2-2	6	8	2	3	33
Lancaster, F	11-18	0-0	2-4	9	24	1	2	35
Butler, C	0-4	0-1	2-4	8	2	3	1	25
Cusick, G	5-16	2-9	0-1	6	12	7	4	37
Roederer, G	3-6	0-0	2-2	3	8	3	0	29
Kozlowski	1-3	1-3	0-0	3	3	0	1	16
Schwegmann	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	9
Smith	4-7	0-0	3-5	5	11	0	2	16
team	27-60	3-14	11-18	44	68	16	13	200
	.450	.214	.611					

WKU	32	41	-	73
Miami	33	35	-	68

Game 10
Miami 93
St. Francis (PA) 80
 Dec. 21, 2001—Loretto, PA

Miami University's women's basketball team made Christmas a little merrier Dec. 21 at St. Francis' (Pa.) DeGol Arena, defeating the Red Flash 93-80 in its final contest before the Christmas break.

In a hotly contested first half, Miami, plagued by early turnovers, trailed 9-4 at the 16-minute mark. The RedHawks closed the gap over the next four minutes and took their first lead off a **Kim Smith** three-point play that put the Red and White in front 16-14. After a handful of lead changes, Miami edged ahead and led by two to four points for the remainder of the half. The RedHawks, who shot 55 percent from the floor but committed 10 turnovers during the half, led 38-36 at halftime.

Colleen Day led Miami out of the gates in the second half, hitting a 3-pointer and another bucket to put Miami up 43-36. The RedHawks eventually built their lead as high as 61-44 at the 13:27, but St. Francis' Sami Allison hit three consecutive 3-pointers for the Red Flash, to close the gap to 61-50. St. Francis kept the heat on throughout the remainder of the game and closed the gap to 77-71 with Allison's Red Flash record eighth 3-point bucket at 3:44. It came down to free throws from there, and Miami was perfect, hitting 16 straight charity shots to end the game.

Miami, which placed six players in double figures, was led on the night by Day, who poured in 18 points while grabbing six boards. **Heather Cusick** added 17 points, nine rebounds and seven assists, while Lancaster poured in 14, Smith added 13, **Jana Butler** notched 12, and **Melanie Kozlowski** contributed 11.

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Day, F	6-6	2-2	4-4	6	18	1	2	26
Lancaster, F	6-12	0-0	2-4	10	14	1	3	31
Butler, C	6-8	0-0	0-0	2	12	0	1	25
Cusick, G	4-11	2-6	7-9	9	17	7	3	39
Roederer, G	3-10	0-0	2-2	1	8	7	2	33
Schwegmann	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	1	0	7
Kozlowski	2-3	1-2	6-7	4	11	2	0	23
Smith	5-6	0-0	3-3	4	13	0	0	16
team	32-56	5-10	24-29	39	93	19	11	200
	.571	.500	.826					

St. Francis	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Allison, F	10-15	8-12	0-0	3	28	4	2	37
Chesick, F	9-15	0-0	2-2	9	20	6	2	33
Swink, C	3-4	0-0	2-2	5	8	2	1	23
Hewitt, G	4-10	3-6	0-0	2	11	6	3	34
Ward, G	4-17	0-3	1-2	1	9	2	3	36
Black	1-5	0-0	2-2	2	4	2	0	13
Schlichter	0-2	0-0	0-0	3	0	2	0	16
Burnham	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	8
team	31-69	11-21	7-8	28	80	24	11	200
	.449	.524	.875					

Miami	38	55	-	93
St. Francis	36	44	-	80

Game 11
Miami 71
Louisville 92
 Dec. 28, 2001—Louisville, KY

Miami concluded its non-conference schedule at the University of Louisville's Freedom Hall, falling to the Cardinals 92-71.

A red-hot Louisville team, which drained three 3-point field goals in the first 3:30 of the first half, charged out of the, racing to a 21-7 advantage by the 15-minute mark. After resolving some issues with the Cardinal full-court pressure, Miami began the long climb back and pulled to within 32-29 with a Melanie Kozlowski trey at 5:30.

Miami, plagued largely by its own turnovers, slumped to a more than three-minute scoring drought and soon found itself staring down a double-digit deficit at 41-29. The RedHawks responded with an 11-6 run over the final two minutes to close to 47-40 at the half. Kozlowski paced the RedHawks, who hit 9-of-10 free throws, with nine points, while Louisville was paced by Marju Sober's 15 first-half points.

The RedHawks were still trailing by seven with 14:21, but Sober sparked a devastating Louisville rally with eight straight points. The Cardinals, who shot a sizzling 56 percent from the field for the game, led 75-59 by the 7:45 mark and never really looked back. Sober, who transferred to Louisville from Miami after her freshman year finished with 29 points and seven 3-point baskets.

Miami, which fell to 6-5, was led on the night by Kim Lancaster and Heather Cusick, who each totaled 17 points. The RedHawks shot 50 percent from the field but committed 22 turnovers.

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Day, F	3-5	1-1	0-0	4	7	0	0	21
Lancaster, F	7-12	0-0	3-5	5	17	4	3	36
Butler, C	3-7	0-0	4-4	4	10	1	1	25
Cusick, G	6-15	3-7	2-2	2	17	7	2	39
Roederer, G	2-4	0-1	3-3	1	7	3	2	34
Kozlowski	3-7	1-3	2-3	6	9	0	0	33
Lockhart	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Smith	2-2	0-0	0-1	3	4	1	1	11
team	26-52	5-12	14-18	27	71	16	9	200
	.500	.417	.778					

Louisville	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Wolke, F	9-15	0-2	1-3	7	19	2	2	35
Brown, F	2-3	0-0	1-2	2	5	0	1	12
Sober, G	11-18	7-11	0-0	4	29	0	3	35
Nord, G	2-4	1-3	0-0	4	5	11	2	30
Kessans, G	1-7	0-1	2-2	3	4	4	1	28
Graham	1-1	0-0	4-4	3	6	2	0	5
Minter	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	1	0	8
Bradley	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	2
Antoine	1-2	1-1	0-0	2	3	1	0	11
Hoffman	4-7	0-0	5-6	6	13	2	0	26
Ford	3-4	0-0	0-0	1	6	1	0	6
Simotes	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	2
team	35-63	9-19	13-17	34	92	25	10	200
	.556	.474	.765					

Miami	40	31	-	71
Louisville	47	45	-	92

Game 12
Buffalo 60
Miami 66
 Jan. 3, 2002—Oxford, OH

Miami rode a roller coaster to its first Mid-American Conference win Thursday night in Millett Hall, earning a 66-60 league-opening win over the University at Buffalo.

Scoring on its first eight possessions, the Red and White stormed out of the gates and led 19-6 by the 14:23. Heather Cusick, who drained her first five shots of the game, netted her third 3-point bucket of the half to push the lead to its highest point, 22-6, less than a minute later.

Buffalo responded with an inspired rally, outscoring Miami 14-2 over the next five minutes to close within four points until a Melanie Kozlowski 3-pointer pushed Miami's lead back to 27-20. The Bulls continued to chip away as Miami, which hit eight of its first 10 shots, hit just 5-of-19 field goals over the final 11 minutes of the half. Another Kozlowski trey with time running out lifted Miami to a 34-28 halftime advantage.

Miami started the second half much like the first half, outscoring the Bulls 9-2 out of the gates to claim a 43-30 lead by the 14:30 mark. Buffalo once again responded with a rally of its own, outscoring Miami 14-3 over the next four minutes to pull within 46-44. After going back and forth over the next two minutes, Buffalo tallied a Virginia Jennings bucket at 6:32 to give the Bulls their first tie, 51-51, since the beginning of the game.

The RedHawks regained the lead over the next four minutes, surging to a 62-54 advantage with another Cusick trey, but the Bulls rallied once again with back-to-back 3-point buckets of their own to close to 62-60. The Bulls were unable to come any closer, as Miami notched a Kim Lancaster field goal and two Colleen Day free throws to put the game out of reach.

Cusick led Miami on the night with a season-high 24 points and five assists. Day contributed 11 points and nine rebounds, narrowly missing out on her fifth double-double, while Kozlowski tallied 11 points and 3-of-4 3-point field goals.

Buffalo	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Kilpela, F	6-8	0-0	4-4	6	16	0	1	31
Kochendorfer, F	3-8	0-1	2-2	2	8	0	0	23
McMeeken, G	4-12	1-3	0-0	2	9	4	3	40
Jennings, G	4-10	2-5	2-2	2	12	6	0	40
Bennett, G	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	1	0	24
Martin	2-3	0-0	0-0	7	4	5	2	26
Lawrenson	3-4	3-4	0-0	1	9	1	2	16
team	23-47	6-13	8-8	24	60	17	8	200
	.489	.462	1.000					

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Butler, F	3-6	0-0	2-3	2	8	1	0	18
Day, F	4-8	0-0	3-4	9	11	1	4	34
Lancaster, F	4-9	0-0	0-0	3	8	2	3	32
Cusick, G	9-14	4-9	2-2	3	24	5	1	36
Roederer, G	2-6	0-1	0-1	3	4	3	0	22
Beck	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	5
Kozlowski	4-8	3-4	0-0	3	11	2	2	27
Schwegmann	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	1	6
Lockhart	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
Smith	0-1	0-0	0-0	3	0	3	4	18
team	26-52	7-14	7-10	27	66	18	15	200
	.500	.500	.700					

Buffalo	28	32	-	60
Miami	34	32	-	66

Game 13

Western Michigan 58
Miami 71

Jan. 5, 2002—Oxford, OH

Miami made a statement in its second Mid-American Conference contest, cruising to a 71-58 defeat of MAC West power Western Michigan Saturday in Millett Hall.

Paced by a balanced offensive attack and stifling defensive pressure, Miami seized early control of the contest, using five straight Melanie Kozlowski points to lead 9-4 by the first media timeout. The RedHawks, who shot 52 percent in the half, pushed their advantage as high as 24-14 while restricting the Broncos to just five field goals in the first 15 minutes.

Western Michigan, led by Kristin Koetsier, put forth a fierce rally over the final five minutes, netting six of its 11 first-half field goals during the span and closing to 33-29 by the half. Koetsier tallied a game-high 15 points in the half, while Miami was led by Kim Lancaster's seven first-half points.

Miami regained the initiative in the second half, extending its lead to 39-31 by 16:49. WMU rallied briefly to close to within four but would get no closer. Miami, sparked by the inside play of Lancaster, began steadily pulling away and pushed its advantage to 61-41 by the seven-minute mark.

Led by Heather Cusick and Lancaster, who combined for 21 second-half points, Miami pushed its lead to as high as 23 points before Western Michigan closed in the final two minutes of the contest. Lancaster led the way, notching 18 points and 10 rebounds for her third double-double of the season. Cusick finished with 16 points and eight assists, while Colleen Day finished with 12 points off 6-of-7 shooting from the field.

On the day, Miami, which improved to 8-5 and 2-0 in the MAC, shot 52 percent from the field and out-rebounded WMU by a dominant 40-24 edge. The win was Miami's first against Western Michigan since the 1997-98 season.

WMU	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Deurloo, F	3-10	0-0	1-3	3	7	0	1	25
Koetsier, F	9-16	1-1	4-6	5	23	2	2	34
Jilian, G	1-2	0-0	2-4	4	4	3	1	38
Harris, G	0-7	0-4	0-0	1	0	0	2	19
Rost, G	5-9	1-4	2-4	4	13	2	0	37
Koerber	1-1	0-0	2-2	0	4	0	0	3
Samuelson	0-1	0-0	4-4	0	4	3	3	25
Hillstrom	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	1	0	3
Crisman	0-1	0-0	1-2	5	1	1	3	16
team	20-48	2-9	16-25	24	58	12	12	200
	.417	.222	.640					

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Day, F	6-7	0-1	0-0	6	12	1	3	30
Lancaster, F	8-16	0-0	2-3	10	18	1	1	31
Butler, C	3-7	0-0	2-2	8	8	1	0	30
Cusick, G	6-16	2-7	2-2	4	16	8	3	36
Roederer, G	2-2	0-0	0-0	0	4	1	0	17
Beck	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	1	3
Pruett	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Kozlowski	4-8	1-1	0-0	6	9	2	2	27
Schwegmann	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	1	12
Lockhart	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
Smith	2-4	0-0	0-0	3	4	1	0	10
Costello	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
team	31-60	3-9	6-8	40	71	16	11	200
	.517	.333	.750					

WMU	29	29	-	58
Miami	33	38	-	71

Game 14

Miami 103
Akron 67

Jan. 9, 2002—Akron, OH

Miami advanced to 3-0 in the Mid-American Conference for the first time since the 1998-99 season at the University of Akron's JAR Arena, handling the Zips 103-67.

In a high-octane first half, the RedHawks claimed the lead out of the gates and never trailed. Colleen Day tallied five points in the first three minutes to stake Miami to a 13-4 lead by the 15:48 mark, and the RedHawks led by as many as 23-12 by 11:57.

Despite the early run, Miami could not pull away from the Zips, who closed to within 29-23 by the 8:32 mark. Akron, which shot a stellar 63 percent from the floor, used 15 first-half points from Lindsay Hemmelgarn to remain within striking distance until a brief Miami run pushed the RedHawks to their biggest lead at 56-40 by the half. The 56 first-half points tied a Miami record for points in a half. Melanie Kozlowski paced Miami with 13 first-half points.

Akron came out with a head of steam in the second half, closing to within 56-48 with an 8-0 run. Day broke the run with a bucket at 17:12, and Miami never really looked back. Following a more than five-minute Zip scoring drought, the RedHawks built their lead to as high as 88-58. Akron scored just 11 points over the final 12:08, while Miami cleared the 100-point barrier for the first time since the 1999-2000 season.

Junior Heather Cusick, who finished with a season-high 25 points became the 13th Miami player to reach 1,000 for her career with a 3-point basket at 9:12 in the second half.

Kozlowski notched her first career double-double with season-highs of 18 points and 10 rebounds, while Jana Butler and Day each notched 15. Katie Schwegmann rounded out Miami's five double-digit scorers with 10.

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Cusick, G	8-13	4-6	5-5	2	25	4	1	33
Roederer, G	3-7	1-2	1-2	1	8	2	1	21
Butler, C	4-5	0-0	7-8	2	15	1	2	18
Day, F	6-13	2-2	1-1	7	15	5	1	27
Lancaster, F	2-5	0-0	2-4	7	6	2	0	31
Schwegmann	3-5	1-1	3-4	0	10	2	1	13
Beck	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	6
Kozlowski	4-13	3-8	7-8	10	18	0	3	24
Smith	1-4	0-0	4-6	7	6	3	5	24
Anderson	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
team	31-65	11-19	30-38	41	103	19	14	200
	.477	.579	.789					

Akron	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Larson, *	2-2	0-0	0-1	5	4	1	1	29
Hemmelgarn, *	5-8	2-3	5-6	1	17	3	3	24
Arnold, *	3-7	0-1	4-4	1	10	4	1	29
Johnson, *	3-8	0-2	0-0	3	6	2	0	28
Martin, *	5-10	0-0	1-2	4	11	0	0	18
Black	0-3	0-1	0-0	1	0	1	0	8
Harris	3-7	0-2	4-4	1	10	2	2	28
Booms	0-1	0-0	1-2	3	1	0	0	13
Overton	2-5	0-0	0-0	0	4	0	0	7
Bell	1-2	0-1	2-2	0	4	1	3	16
team	24-53	2-10	17-21	24	67	14	10	200
	.453	.200	.810					

Miami	56	47	-	103
Akron	40	27	-	67

Game 15

Miami 89
Ohio 73

Jan. 12, 2002—Athens, OH

Miami moved to 4-0 in the Mid-American Conference for the first time in five years, surging past the Ohio University Bobcats, 89-73, with a second-half surge.

In a very physical and hotly contested first half, Miami looked to its inside game to gain early control. After Ohio jumped out to an early 4-2 lead, Miami tallied three-point plays from Melanie Kozlowski and Jana Butler and led 14-8 by the 15:24 mark. Miami led by as many as eight in the first half, but Ohio shot itself back into the game with a pair of Cathy Szall 3-pointers and trailed 40-34 at the half.

In the second half, Miami jumped out early and pressed its lead into double digits several times. Ohio was quick with an answer each time until a devastating 12-0 Miami run pushed the RedHawks' advantage to 71-51 by the eight-minute mark. An Andrea Gay 3-point field goal finally ended the Bobcat drought, but the damage was already done. Ohio could get no closer than 14 points the remainder of the game.

Miami finished the second half shooting a stellar 59 percent from the field and finished at 57 percent for the game. The Red and White also benefited from forcing 24 Ohio turnovers.

The RedHawks were led by five players who scored in double-figures, including Colleen Day, who shot 11-of-13 from the field while tallying 28 points. Heather Cusick poured in 18 points and dished seven assists, while Butler added 13 points, Kim Smith contributed 12 and Kim Lancaster notched 11.

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Day, F	11-13	1-1	5-6	4	28	4	5	36
Lancaster, F	4-6	0-0	3-4	4	11	2	3	36
Butler, C	6-9	0-0	1-1	6	13	0	3	25
Cusick, G	6-16	1-6	5-7	3	18	7	1	40
Kozlowski, G	3-10	0-2	1-1	5	7	3	1	32
Schwegmann	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	11
Lockhart	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	2
Smith	5-6	0-0	2-4	4	12	1	1	18
team	35-62	2-9	17-23	31	89	20	14	200
	.565	.222	.739					

Ohio	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Moorman, F	2-4	1-1	1-3	5	6	0	1	22
Bagley, F	5-8	0-0	1-2	1	11	0	0	23
Fischer, C	2-6	0-1	0-0	4	4	1	0	21
Szall, G	9-13	4-5	3-3	1	25	5	3	35
Gay, G	2-7	1-3	0-0	4	5	6	3	38
Isbell	2-2	0-0	0-0	6	4	1	0	25
Smoot	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
Johnson	4-13	1-6	9-10	4	18	3	0	31
Burke	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	2
team	26-53	7-16	14-18	29	73	16	7	200
	.491	.438	.778					

Miami	40	49	-	89
Ohio	34	39	-	73

Game 16

Kent State 67

Miami 72

Jan. 15, 2002—Oxford, OH

Miami earned a key divisional win in Millett Hall, surviving a late rally from defending Mid-American Conference East champion Kent State University in a 72-67 win.

In an evenly played first half, Miami led from the start but was never able to gain control. The RedHawks drained seven of their first eight shots to lead 15-10 by the 13-minute mark, but Kent State responded and tied the score at 19-19 with a Jamie Rubis 3-point field goal.

Sparked by a pair of **Beth Roederer** buckets, Miami embarked on a 6-0 run over the next two minutes and eventually extended its lead to 31-22 by the seven-minute mark. Still trailing by nine with 1:55 to play, the Golden Flashes assembled a 6-0 run of their own to close to 37-34 by halftime.

The RedHawks were quick to regain the initiative in the second half, scoring nine unanswered points before the Flashes could get on the board. Trailing 48-35 following a **Kim Smith** bucket, Kent State rallied again to close to 48-39. **Heather Cusick** fired back with eight consecutive points to rebuild the RedHawk lead to 58-45 by the 12-minute mark.

Never relenting, Kent State once again reduced the lead to single digits and, aided by a series of Miami turnovers, hit high gear at the five-minute mark with a 5-0 run that closed the score to 66-61. A Valerie Zona field goal with the shot clock expiring pulled the Flashes to their closest point since the half at 68-65 with less than two minutes to play and a Miller jumper with 0:45 to play pulled Kent State to 68-67.

Miami gave the Flashes an opportunity to take their first lead of the game, but a Miller jumper was off the mark and Cusick was fouled trying to bring the ball up the court. After Cusick drained two free throws, Kent State missed a 3-pointer that would have tied the game and Roederer put the game out of reach with a pair of game-clinching free throws.

Kent State shot 62 percent from the field, but was plagued by 27 turnovers that resulted in 37 Miami points. Miller led the Flashes with 24 points, while Zona contributed 17.

Miami, which shot 50 percent from the field, was led by Cusick's 21 points.

Kent State	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Shibata, F	0-3	0-2	0-0	4	0	1	4	36
Clark, F	2-2	0-0	0-0	2	4	1	0	22
Kollat, C	3-4	0-0	5-8	3	11	0	4	38
Miller, G	10-14	2-3	2-2	2	24	2	3	40
Zona, G	5-9	1-4	6-6	2	17	4	3	39
Krzeczowski	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	4
Rubis	4-7	1-1	2-2	3	11	0	3	21
team	24-39	4-10	15-18	20	67	8	17	200
	.615	.400	.833					

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Day, F	2-7	1-1	0-2	4	5	1	4	29
Lancaster, F	6-10	0-0	1-4	7	13	1	1	34
Butler, C	1-5	0-0	0-0	4	2	1	2	22
Cusick, G	6-9	2-4	7-7	2	21	5	3	40
Roederer, G	5-10	0-1	4-4	2	14	4	0	30
Kozlowski	3-8	1-5	1-1	2	8	2	0	22
Schwegmann	2-2	1-1	0-0	0	5	0	1	13
Smith	2-3	0-0	0-0	3	4	0	1	10
team	27-54	5-12	13-18	29	72	14	12	200
	.500	.417	.722					

Kent State	34	33	-	67
Miami	37	35	-	72

Game 17

Northern Illinois 74

Miami 61

Jan. 19, 2002—Oxford, OH

Everything that worked during Miami's five-game winning streak faltered on Jan. 19, as a physical Northern Illinois University team roughed up the RedHawks, 74-61, on their own floor.

Powered by a strong inside game and the outside shooting of Kristen Knake, Northern Illinois jumped on Miami early and raced to a 13-3 advantage by the 14:14 mark. Miami was out-rebounded 10-2 during the first six minutes and was unable to get anything going in the paint. Knake who finished the first-half with 20 points off 8-of-8 shooting from the floor and 4-of-4 from beyond the 3-point arc, pushed the Huskie lead as high as 36-19 with her fourth 3-pointer at 1:22.

Miami, sparked by Heather Cusick, created some momentum in the final minute when Cusick hit consecutive 3-point buckets to close the halftime score to 36-26. The RedHawks, who were shooting 52 percent from the field over their first five league contests, hit just 9-of-28 first-half shots for 32 percent.

After a slow start for both teams over the first three minutes of the second half, Northern Illinois took off on a 9-2 run to push its lead back to 17 points by the 16-minute mark. The Huskies pushed the lead to 20 points by the 13:30 mark and continued to shut down the struggling RedHawk offense until the seven-minute mark. Aided by three Melanie Kozlowski 3-pointers and a number of defensive stops, Miami closed to 60-51 by the two-minute mark.

The Huskies converted on the next possession to push the lead back into double digits and hit their free throws down the stretch to secure the win despite a late barrage of Cusick 3-pointers. For the game, Miami shot just 31 percent from the field and was out-rebounded 39-26.

NIU	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Youngblood, F	4-6	0-0	1-1	9	9	2	2	36
Boeding, F	2-6	0-0	0-1	5	4	5	0	24
Shattuck, C	3-8	0-0	0-0	8	6	1	0	23
Knake, G	10-17	5-7	4-6	5	29	6	1	37
Davis, G	0-3	0-0	3-4	4	3	3	2	37
Brown	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Sillar	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	1	1
Smith	1-2	1-2	0-0	3	3	0	0	9
Wilson	4-4	0-0	2-2	1	10	1	2	20
Secret	1-3	0-0	8-9	2	10	0	0	12
team	25-49	6-9	18-23	42	74	18	8	200
	.510	.667	.783					

Miami	FG	3PT	FT	RB	PTS	A	S	MIN
Day, F	3-8	0-0	2-2	8	8	2	1	26
Lancaster, F	2-5	0-0	1-2	2	5	0	0	20
Butler, C	0-3	0-0	4-6	1	4	2	2	25
Cusick, G	8-24	5-14	2-2	2	23	5	3	38
Roederer, G	3-12	0-2	1-2	2	7	2	1	28
Kozlowski	4-6	3-4	0-0	4	11	0	1	31
Schwegmann	0-3	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	6
Lockhart	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
Smith	0-1	0-0	3-4	8	3	2	2	24
team	20-62	8-22	13-18	29	61	13	10	200
	.323	.364	.722					

NIU	36	38	-	74
Miami	26	35	-	61